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Camden residents target off-campus parties

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Student parties held off-campus in the Camden Avenue area have been the subject of complaints by both students and residents of the Camden area. Residents of the area have been complaining to SSU and to local police that students are holding regular parties in a select number of homes in their neighborhood, many of which have involved alcohol use.

A representative of the Camden Neighborhood Association (CNA) said that her organization has complained about students throwing beer cans in residents' yards and students inappropriately discharging bodily fluids in the area. SGA Vice-president of External Affairs Bruce Burkhardt said that the Office of the Vice-president for Student Affairs has received complaints from neighbors living in the Camden area.

To combat the parties held, the CNA has enlisted the help of the city police, who are playing a larger role in that area. One of the police measures being taken is a community walk. Community walks take place when a

group of Camden residents, SSU students and police walk through the area in order to identify problems.

While there is no way of determining if the increased police activity in the area is decreasing the

actual number of incidents in the Camden area, Burkhardt claims that the number of complaints about parties has decreased lately.

One suggested reason for the alleged reduction in party-related violations is that the new on-campus pub, Crossroads, is giving students a place to congregate without having to go off-campus. However, SSU Director of Public Safety Jim Phillips said, "The Crossroads has been open for three weeks and it is not possible to determine its effect on alcohol use at this time."

Meanwhile, some students have claimed that the police called in to quell some of the disorder brought about by the parties have thrown students up against the wall when breaking up a party and have abused their power.

However, Burkhardt insists that those allegations of misuse of power have been investigated and are greatly exaggerated. He said that to his knowledge, nothing unusual or out-of-the-ordinary was done by police to restore order to the troubled area.



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Salisbury police are patrolling Camden Avenue neighborhoods more rigorously in response to complaints about parties.

Football becomes affiliated with ACF Conference

Sam Atkinson
Sports Editor

In 26 seasons, the SSU football program has had 14 winning seasons and five postseason appearances. In 1986, the Sea Gulls were one win away from capturing the NCAA Division III national championship in the Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl. Throughout all of

these accomplishments the Sea Gulls were never affiliated with a football conference as they played as an independent team.

Last week, SSU announced that it is one of six charter members of the newly formed Atlantic Central Football Conference (ACFC). The conference is strictly a football conference. Joining the Sea Gulls in the ACFC are Chowan (N.C.) College, Ferrum (Va.) College, Frostburg State University, Methodist (N.C.) College and Wesley College.

"We're glad to be affiliated with a conference," said SSU head coach Joe Rotellini. "It certainly makes it easier in regards to scheduling games."

Scheduling in the past years has been a problem as SSU only played three home games and nine total games this year. Now the Sea Gulls hope to field a 10-game slate, with an even five home games and five road games.

Rotellini also mentioned that the conference will offer a lot more to the players. Being part of the conference brings the selection of All-Star teams, weekly awards, statistical leaders, postseason play and the coveted conference championship.

Even though the conference will give out awards next year and keep track of stats, there will be no postseason play or a conference champion. The official conference play will begin in the fall of 1999.

"One of our longstanding goals has been to have all of our intercollegiate programs in a conference," said SSU Athletic Director Michael Vienna. "This affiliation should certainly assist our football program in areas such as scheduling and recognition, especially with team and individual honors. Those are difficult obstacles to overcome, at times, as an independent."

The conference opponents are very familiar to the Sea Gulls as they played four out of five this season. SSU beat Chowan but suffered losses to Frostburg State, Methodist and Wesley. It has been over seven years since the Gulls

played Ferrum.

Rotellini doesn't close the door on bringing in more teams into the conference. "We have no problem playing all conference teams. We are currently working with Greensboro College, another independent, to join the conference," said Rotellini, who just completed his eighth year at the helm for the Sea Gulls.

The conference is a long awaited move for the Sea Gulls as it carries more weight and more to play for. Overall, the conference is very balanced. "No one team will dominate," Rotellini said.

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Alcohol violations concentrated at Crossroads

David Ferrera & Hugh Bouchelle
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Alcohol violations increased the weekend of Nov. 14-16 primarily due to eight violations cited at the Crossroads. For the year, SSU campus police have cited 43 alcohol violations.

Three of the cases involved underage non-students drinking beer in the Crossroads while the five others were underage students. The non-students received No-trespass letters. The five students will face administrative action.

According to Director of Public Safety Jim Phillips, students who obtain two alcohol violations lose their on campus housing rights. Student who live off campus risk the loss of their social privileges, which means they cannot come to campus except for class.

Phillips said that the eight violations were the source for an increase in the number of cases since last month. Nearly all the alcohol violations for November have occurred at the Crossroads. Eight of the 11 alcohol violations for November have been reported at the Crossroads. As for whether he expects consistent problems at the Crossroads, Phillips said, "Only time will tell."

Phillips did say that the additional violations were a normal part of the expected adjustment period as students and Crossroads staff get accustomed to the rules.

For the semester, the largest percentage of alcohol violations, nearly 25 percent have occurred in Chesapeake Hall. However, most of these took place early in the semester, with none reported since Oct. 11.

Local police officials for Salisbury and Wicomico County have not noticed an increase in alcohol related crimes, although information is not collected on whether arrested persons are students or not.

In case you missed it

National

*On Sunday, Nov. 16, Los Angeles police reported that a dog slipped through a pet door and chewed off the foot of a woman who had been in a coma for several years. The victim's mother chased away the dog when she saw what was happening. Police began searching for the dog because of a concern over rabies. On Monday, doctors amputated what remained of the coma patient's right foot.

*On Monday, Nov. 17, Islamic militants sprayed gunfire at one of Egypt's renowned temples, killing 64 people in Luxor, Egypt. Sixty tourists were killed during the attack, which began at 9:30 a.m. The attackers were pursued by Egyptian police who shot and killed the six gunmen.

*On Tuesday, Nov. 18, Mattel Inc. announced that Barbie will be receiving a new look. Barbie will be less busty, have a thicker waist and slimmer hips, straighter hair and a new nose. The change comes in response to feminist complaints that the traditional Barbie promotes an unrealistic image of female beauty to children.

*On Tuesday, Nov. 18, the FBI ruled out the possibility of any criminal action in the 1996 crash of TWA 800. By closing the criminal investigation, attention has turned to mechanical failure as the cause of the mid-air explosion.

*On Wednesday, Nov. 19, Bobbi McCaughey, an Iowa seamstress,

successfully gave birth to septuplets two months early. It is only the second septuplet birth in the United States. The new infants include three girls and four boys. Two of the children were in critical condition following the birth, but doctors say that is not unusual for babies delivered early. McCaughey used fertility drugs, which resulted in the septuplets.

*On Thursday, Nov. 20, the United Nations announced that weapons inspectors would be returning to Iraq after a showdown between the U.N. and Iraq that nearly escalated to a military confrontation. United States inspectors were also allowed to return as part of the U.N. inspection team.

*On Thursday, Nov. 20, the Center for Disease Control announced that the number of children contracting AIDS from their mothers at birth has dropped 43 percent between 1992 and 1996. The CDC attributed the decline to women getting tested earlier and beginning drug treatment. The Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS estimates 350,000 children in developing countries are infected with AIDS during birth.

*On Thursday, Nov. 20, the U.S. Coast Guard seized more than 200 Haitians in Miami, Fla. The refugees were aboard an 80-foot wooden freighter when they were stopped in international waters and denied landing in the United States.

State/Local

*On Sunday, Nov. 16, 1,000 pro-life supporters participated in the Salisbury/Delmarva Life Chain, which stretched from Zion Road to College Avenue along Route 13. The last time the event was held in Salisbury was in 1992. Participants carried signs bearing anti-abortion and pro-religion messages. Police reported no incidents during the gathering.

*Last week, Principal Alice Morgan-Brown of Northern High School in Baltimore, Md. suspended 1,200 of the school's 1,800 students when they failed to report to their homerooms to pick up report cards. Students and parents gathered at the school to protest the suspensions which were the result of months of discipline problems at the school. For months, students have roamed hallways and challenged staff members. Interim Schools Chief Robert Schiller criticized the principal's actions and rescinded the suspensions on Thursday.

*On Friday, Nov. 21, Wicomico County's first non-religious private school held a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Upper School was completed within a year. Enrollment is 21 students with more expected as a new grade is added each year. The school emphasizes academics and technology for its college-bound students. Tuition is \$6,400 a year.

Pocomoke Hall plagued by vandalism in bathrooms

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Flyer Staff Writer

Problems with vandalism in the Pocomoke Hall dormitory should come to a close with the help of a pilot project being administered by the Housing for Facilities department.

In the past weeks, Pocomoke Hall has experienced vandalism in the form of broken bathroom doors and vending machine abuse.

Freshman Jason Busch, a resident of Pocomoke Hall, said the table outside of the building was broken, and people have been throwing up in the building.

Freshman Stephen Gilligan, another Pocomoke Hall resident, said that vandals had broken the first floor bathroom door and kicked in the lock. "It was just people being stupid," said Gilligan.

However, Assistant Director of Housing for Facilities Michael Burton

said that most of the vandalism seemed to come from frustration because of the bathroom lock-door policy.

The policy requires residents to use a key to unlock the bathroom door. Many residents would get used to the bathroom door being propped open instead of always having to use a key. When residents would arrive at a locked bathroom door without their key, it would cause "a kick here, a kick there," said Burton.

Burton said that his department would begin a pilot project that would review the bathroom lock policy, which had originally been instituted to halt and locate the origin of any vandalism. "We're a little skeptical about taking the locks back off," Burton said.

A meeting that Burton attended with the Pocomoke Hall residents clearly showed their discontent over the bathroom locks,



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A smashed-in fire alarm is just one of the many acts of vandalism in Pocomoke Hall this semester.

leading to this trial solution. "We listened to what they had to say and brain-stormed to come up with a solution that will hopefully avoid the next level of frustration," Burton commented.

Burton said that what is going on in Pocomoke Hall is no cause for alarm. "To stereotype it, what's been happening in Pocomoke Hall is normal activity."

Burton said that problems concerning vending machines in dormitories were worse last year. However, Pocomoke Hall's bathroom problems have exceeded any previous problems of this nature.

Burton feels positive that their efforts will help to clear up acts of vandalism in Pocomoke Hall. Burton said, "We don't wait until things get out of hand. We find the warning signs and find a solution."

WSCL receives grant to broadcast in Ocean City

On Thursday Nov. 20, U.S. Representative Wayne Gilchrest (MD-R) and U.S. Senator Paul Sarbanes (MD-D) announced approval of a federal grant to help extend public radio services to mid-Atlantic states through WSCL 89.5 FM which is licensed by the Salisbury State University Foundation.

In a joint announcement at SSU, Sarbanes and Gilchrest said the U.S. Department of Commerce awarded a matching grant of \$126,505 to WSCL for construction of a repeater station near Ocean City. The new station will broadcast WSCL's classical music and news programming to listeners in coastal and nearby communities outside the present 89.5 coverage area.

"This project will extend WSCL's services to thousands of listeners in a growing and important part of Delmarva," said SSU President William C. Merwin. "We are grateful to Senator Sarbanes, Representative Gilchrest and many others for their help

in obtaining the grant."

"As a strong supporter and an avid listener of public radio, I was pleased to advocate on behalf of WSCL's favorable application to the Department of Commerce to increase their listening audience," said Sarbanes. "WSCL and public radio provides its listeners with not only local community-oriented programming, but they provide a link to the nation and the world."

"Public radio stations like WSCL are an invaluable asset to the community," said Gilchrest. "This grant will help WSCL expand its community of listeners to areas that might not otherwise have access to public radio and all the quality programming it offers. I will continue to support WSCL's efforts to educate, inform and enlighten the Delmarva Peninsula."

Support for the grant also was provided by Senator Barbara Mikulski of Maryland and Senator Joseph Biden, Senator William Roth and Representative Michael Castle, all of

Delaware. The state legislative delegations for the coastal communities, mayors and chambers of commerce also are among the supporters.

Approximately 30,000 year-round residents from Berlin to Ocean City and north to Bethany Beach and 320,000 visitors to the beach resorts will benefit from the project. The Department of Commerce grant

represents 65 percent of the cost of the project. WSCL will match that money with \$68,119 in locally-raised funds for a total project cost of \$194,624.

Fred Marino, WSCL general manager, said the new repeater station will broadcast at 90.7 FM and is expected to be on the air by the first of January.

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Survey reveals impact of cancer fatigue

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A new nationwide survey has shed light on one of the most overlooked and undertreated side effects of cancer: fatigue. While everyone knows what it's like to feel tired occasionally, many people living with cancer experience a much more serious fatigue, which takes a tremendous toll on their daily lives—hindering their ability to work, perform daily tasks, even meet the needs of their families. According to the survey of 419 people with cancer, 197 physicians, and 200 friends and family of cancer survivors, fatigue is extremely common, affecting nearly eight out of 10 people with cancer.

"Fatigue is a daily reminder for many patients that they have cancer, and if we can control or lessen its effects, we go a long way toward restoring normalcy to their lives," said Nicholas Vogelzang, M.D., professor of medicine at the University of Chicago.

The survey was conducted by Wirthlin Worldwide for The Fatigue

Coalition, a group of doctors and researchers. By polling cancer patients, oncologists, and friends and family of cancer survivors, the survey has documented the enormous impact that fatigue has on the lives of people with cancer. The survey was underwritten by

Ortho Biotech Inc., a New Jersey-based biotechnology company.

"Fatigue from cancer is an all-consuming fatigue, the type that most people have never experienced," said Susan Scherr, deputy executive director of the National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship, a leading cancer patient

advocacy group, a member of The Fatigue Coalition and a cancer survivor herself. Ms. Scherr added, "This survey supports the fact that fatigue disrupts family and work schedules, negatively affects personal relationships, creates a sense of helplessness and can lead to severe depression for many patients."

"Fatigue is not something patients just have to tolerate," said Dr. Vogelzang, a member of The Fatigue Coalition. "There are things that we can do to treat fatigue, from prescription drugs and better nutrition regimens, to counseling for depression." According to Dr. Vogelzang, describing symptoms to a doctor and asking about treatment is the first—and most important—step in managing your fatigue.

In response to this survey, The Fatigue Coalition will develop a series of educational and research initiatives designed to help patients, physicians and other practitioners better understand the onset, duration and progression of fatigue and how to intervene successfully with the cancer patient.



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Lions Clubs ask Americans to recycle for sight

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Aluminum cans, glass bottles, even the daily newspaper—we recycle many of these items without a second thought. Yet, there is one item that we don't often think about recycling—but when we do, it can have a tremendous impact on someone's life: used eyeglasses.

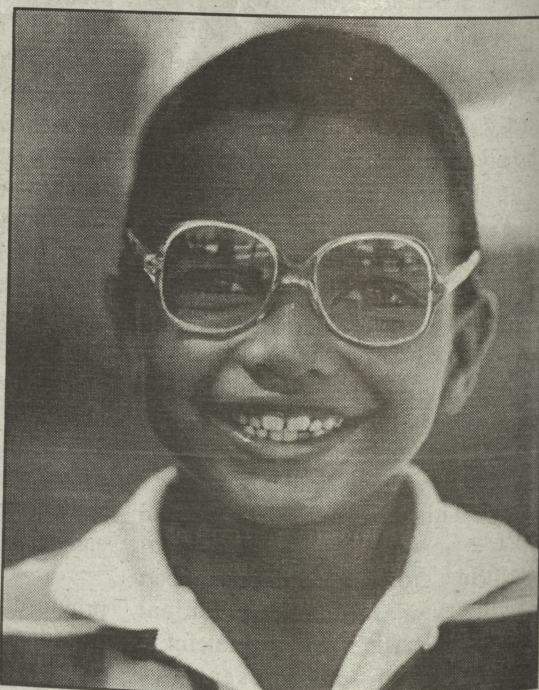
For the "Lions Recycle For Sight" program, Lions Clubs International is urging Americans to dig into their dresser drawers, cabinets and closets for unwanted eyeglasses that can be recycled and distributed to those in need in developing nations.

"As the saying goes, one man's trash is another man's treasure," said Augustin Soliva, international president of Lions Clubs International. "Instead of throwing out your old eyeglasses, donate them to a local Lions club. This seemingly small donation can dramatically improve the life of someone in need."

According to The World Health Organization, the eyesight of one in four people worldwide can be improved through the use of corrective lenses. Unfortunately, for many people throughout the world, eyeglasses are often unaffordable and proper eye care is inaccessible. "Lions Recycle For Sight" will help make eyeglasses available to those who would not otherwise have access to them.

Both prescription eyeglasses and non-prescription sunglasses are needed to help people with low or poor vision around the world. At Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers throughout the country, donated eyeglasses will be cleaned, categorized by prescription and prepared for distribution in developing countries by Lions and other groups. In 1996, recycling centers shipped 1.2 million pairs of eyeglasses for distribution to approximately 60 countries.

Eyeglass donations can be made at participating area stores, libraries, grocery stores and churches with "Lions Recycle For Sight" eyeglass collection bins. Those interested in donating eyeglasses can contact a local Lions club or call 1-800-747-4448 to obtain a list of addresses for the Lions Eyeglass



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Recycling Centers, where eyeglasses can be shipped.

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.4 million men and women members in more than 43,000 clubs in 184 countries and geographical areas. Lions clubs members volunteer their time for local and international causes by conducting service projects and raising funds to help people in need.

New findings on the growth of intelligence

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In a remarkable new book, *The Growth Of The Mind: And the Endangered Origins of Intelligence* (Addison-Wesley, \$25.00), author Stanley I. Greenspan, M.D. reveals startling new evidence on how our intelligence develops and how our minds grow.

Based on his more than 20 years of extensive research as one of the nation's leading child psychiatrists, Greenspan has found that intelligence is built upon very early emotional interchanges between child and caregiver—the most crucial of which take place in the first three years of life. Unlike the commonly held belief that

intelligence arises from cognitive stimulation, Greenspan has discovered that emotions are the true architect of the brain and build the foundation of our mind's highest capacities—morality, empathy, and self-reflection.

However, as Greenspan explains, there is a growing disregard for the importance of these mind-building experiences in almost every aspect of daily life. In child-care, education, marriage, and in our family patterns there is a serious lack of the kind of one-on-one interchanges that promote emotional growth. Changes in our society, such as the increase in the hours of the average work week and the advancements in our communication technology are robbing us of the opportunities and the time to relate to

one another in effective and personal ways.

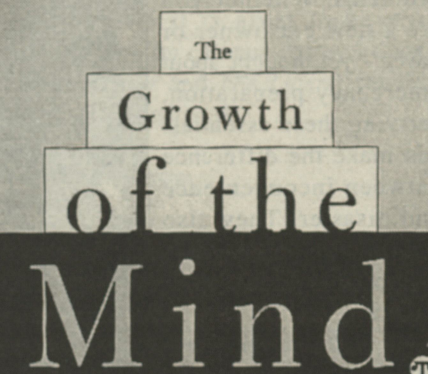
Greenspan offers specific solutions on how we can correct these problems and advocates new policies to reform our schools, government, and social programs.

Simply put, the mind's growth has been the engine of human evolution. Addressing the dangers to its growth is one of the most critical challenges we face as we begin a new century.

Critics now say that *The Growth of the Mind* is one of the most important books to be published on the subject of the mind, both as brilliant exploration of the mind's development and as an invaluable guide to the protection of humanity's most precious gift.

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Promise of progress in spinal cord research offers new hope

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Actor Christopher Reeve has been honored with a "Promise of Progress" award from the Paralyzed Veterans of America Spinal Cord Research Foundation for his efforts to get more funds for spinal cord research. Reeve, who has starred in a number of motion picture and theater productions, including the "Superman" movies, was

Housekeeping magazine for a cover story on Dana and Christopher Reeve entitled "We Draw Strength from Each Other."

Speaking of the Paralyzed Veterans of America and its Spinal Cord Research Foundation in the March edition of *Good Housekeeping*, Editor-in-Chief Ellen Levine wrote, "These groups are extraordinary organizations, founded and run by extraordinary people." The award presentation "was one of the most moving events I've ever attended. The room was filled with scientists who had just finished a two-and-a-half day symposium in spinal cord research. Their enthusiasm and determination to find medical answers for people with spinal cord injuries was a wellspring of hope," Levine wrote.

Kenneth C. Huber, president of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, added, "These are exciting and productive times in spinal cord research. We must increase our efforts to bring a better quality of life to the more than 700,000 individuals in this country who have a spinal cord disease or injury."

injured in a horse-riding accident in 1995.

Reeve received the recognition at an event marking the 20th anniversary of the Paralyzed Veterans of America's research foundation, the nation's oldest and one of the largest foundations of its kind. The "Promise of Progress" award honors an individual or organization that has heightened public awareness of issues related to spinal cord dysfunction and the need to accelerate the pace of spinal cord research.

Also receiving "Promise of Progress" awards were NBC News' Today Show for a week-long series on spinal cord injury, and Good

impairment. There's no reason we can't speed up the progress so that those of us in wheelchairs can walk again as soon as possible."

The Paralyzed Veterans of America is a congressionally chartered veterans service organization founded in 1947. In 1976, PVA formally organized its research activities by forming what is now known as the Spinal Cord Research Foundation (SCRF).

The foundation is unique because it covers the complete range of spinal cord research, including the search for cures for spinal cord dysfunction; investigations of clinical methods to improve care; and design, development and evaluation of assistive and rehabilitative devices. SCRF has devoted more than \$15 million to spinal cord research.

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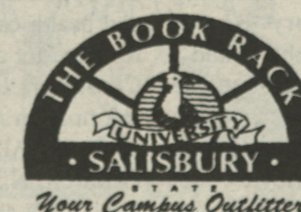
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Preparing yourself for car trouble

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Don't let your next roadside emergency give you a breakdown. Assemble your own traveling emergency road kit to prepare for most problems. Whether you are a new car owner or haven't yet thought about emergency preparation, carrying these essentials can make the difference between inconvenience and disaster. They also make thoughtful gifts for someone you know with a new car.

One of the best tools in an emergency can be your cellular phone. Even if you don't know where you are, or are stranded somewhere remote, at least you can call for help. Be sure you also carry the card and phone number of your emergency service.

You won't get far with a dead battery, so carry a set of good quality jumper cables. Better still, check your battery at least twice a year and replace it if it's lost too much power.

The American Automobile Association answered 2,913,950 calls for tire service in 1995. Be sure your jack and spare tire are in the car at all times. Still, in many cases, you may break down in an area that's not safe or convenient for making a full tire change. And, of course, things like this have a way of happening when you have on your good clothes. You can spend less time

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To make yourself visible to oncoming motorists, keep handy in your own vehicle a white cloth for tying on your antenna and flares or reflectors for breakdowns at night. Also carry a first-aid kit for emergencies. Bottled water and food are good to have for long waits, but tuck them away so you won't be tempted to dip into them on a regular road-trip.

Next winter review the contents of your kit again and add items you'll want for cold weather: blankets, extra de-icer, an ice scraper and traction aid.

Finally, remember that a well-maintained vehicle runs less risk of breakdown in the first place. Avoid cooling system failure (the major engine-related cause of roadside breakdowns) by changing your antifreeze/coolant regularly. And, don't forget to fill the gas tank.

Allergies are agony-especially in the morning

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Pollen peaks in the morning, which is why so many Americans wake up feeling miserable. Itchy, watery eyes, a runny/stuffy nose and sneeze attacks—common allergy symptoms—aggravate 60 million Americans this time of year.

And mornings are the worst—according to 91 percent of allergy sufferers recently polled by an independent research firm for the maker of Tavist-D® and Tavist-1®. In addition, 69 percent said sneezing from allergies is most prevalent in the spring.

"Many people suffer their worst allergy attacks in the morning because pollen levels are highest by 10 a.m.," said John J. Oppenheimer, M.D., member of the Allergy and Asthma Research Center at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and a founding member of the Tavist Advisory Board. "Allergies shouldn't be taken lightly, and I encourage people not to underestimate the possible complications. I've seen cases in which peoples' lives have been ruined because they can't participate in the activities they love." Sundown signals another rise in sniffing and sneezing, with 53 percent of those surveyed reporting allergy attacks, which Oppenheimer

attributes to additional pollen emitted by plants before the sun sets and the plants stop pollinating.

"An antihistamine is one of the best ways to treat these miserable symptoms," explains Dr. Oppenheimer. "Clemastine, a prescription strength over-the-counter antihistamine, works well because it blocks the action of histamine in the body, which is responsible for the allergic reactions." Clemastine is found in Tavist-D® and Tavist-1®.

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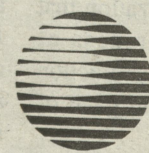
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SGA elections need more student participation

It's election time at SSU for positions on the Student Government Association (SGA) and the burning issue surrounding the campaigns is: does anybody care?

Year after year this campus goes through the motions of an election process signifying that the student body is being democratically represented by the SGA. The reality is that nobody votes, nobody runs against incumbents and the whole process draws about as much attention as a Senate hearing on C-Span.

And every year practically nobody votes and nearly all the candidates run unopposed. As a result, the executive board consists of friends who share similar ideas and viewpoints.

To illustrate this point, last year the top two positions, President and Vice-President, were unopposed. This lack of competition and involvement in the only student organization designed to represent all SSU students is an embarrassment to the school and reflective of a cumbersome bureaucracy.

A common reason given for not voting in SGA elections is that students did not know about them. This has been the excuse for years despite various attempts by the SGA to inform students about the elections. Publicity has been a problem that repeatedly plagues the

SGA. Posters, email and advertising in the newspaper have all been met with apathy from the student body.

However, it is difficult to drum up interest in a race with no competitors. The lack of competition means issues are never debated and the candidates never undergo any scrutiny of their leadership abilities.

The reason for the lack of competition in running for office is that the eligibility requirements to run for office in the SGA are more restrictive than running for a seat in the U.S. Congress.

To be eligible for an SGA executive board seat, a candidate must have served at least a semester in the Senate. Also, since terms on the executive board run from January to December, no senior who graduates in May is eligible for an executive position. It would seem to make more sense to have the term of service in synchronization with the academic calendar.

Students need to take a greater interest in the activities of their SGA for a number of reasons. The SGA's primary purpose is to serve students, yet without student input the tendency is to serve special interests. The SGA receives large amounts of money which is funded by student activity fees. If the student body doesn't pay attention to its

electd representatives that money may be spent poorly. Finally, executive officers are paid positions, again funded by student fees. Essentially, they are paid employees of the students.

Hopefully, this round of elections, scheduled to run from Dec. 8-12, will be the beginning of a more involved student body and will actually matter.

To the Editor:

In an editorial by David Ferrera that appeared in *The Flyer* November 17, a claim was made that the new biweekly newsletter, *The Liberty*, is both "misinformed and misguided," a claim that I find very interesting. The editorial said, "In fact, one of the stories run in *The Liberty* was nearly identical to one published in *The Flyer*." Does this mean *The Flyer* is just as misinformed and misguided?

I think it is hilarious that an established paper like *The Flyer* would stoop so low as to name calling. After all, I believe it is great to have a different view on campus issues. I think both *The Flyer* and *The Liberty* should keep up the good work.

Joseph Hutchinson
Freshman

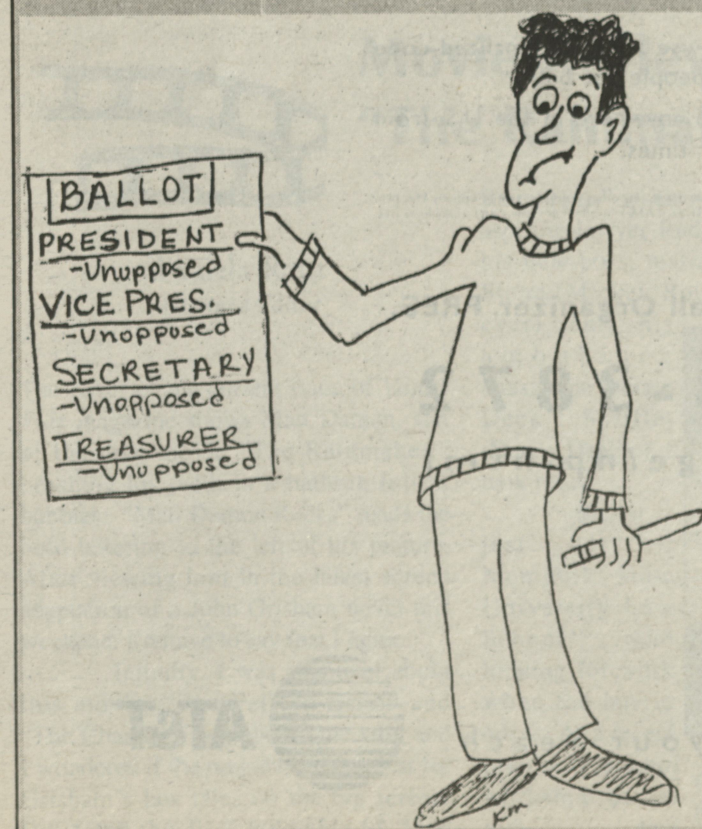
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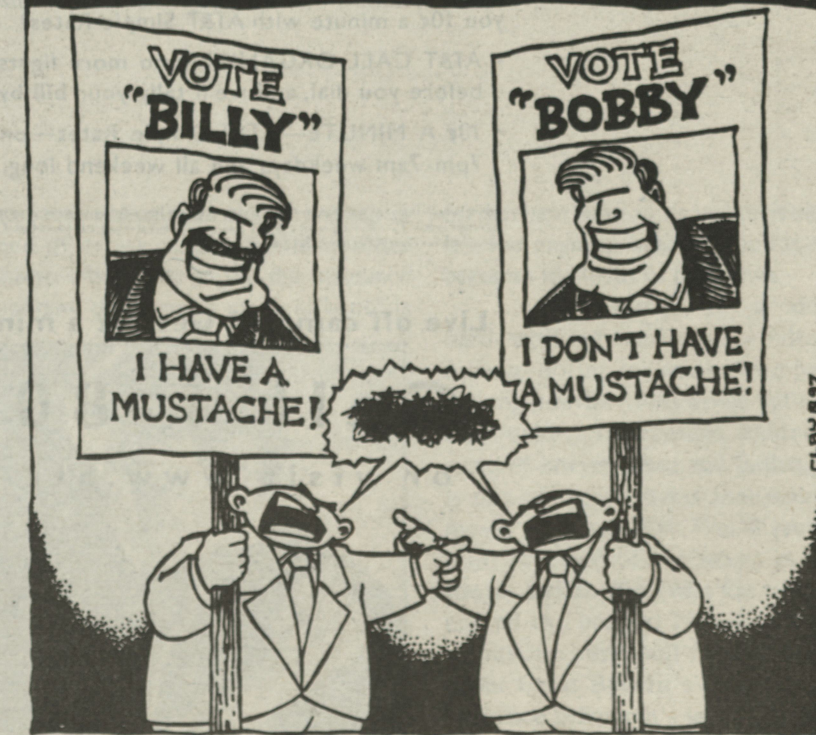
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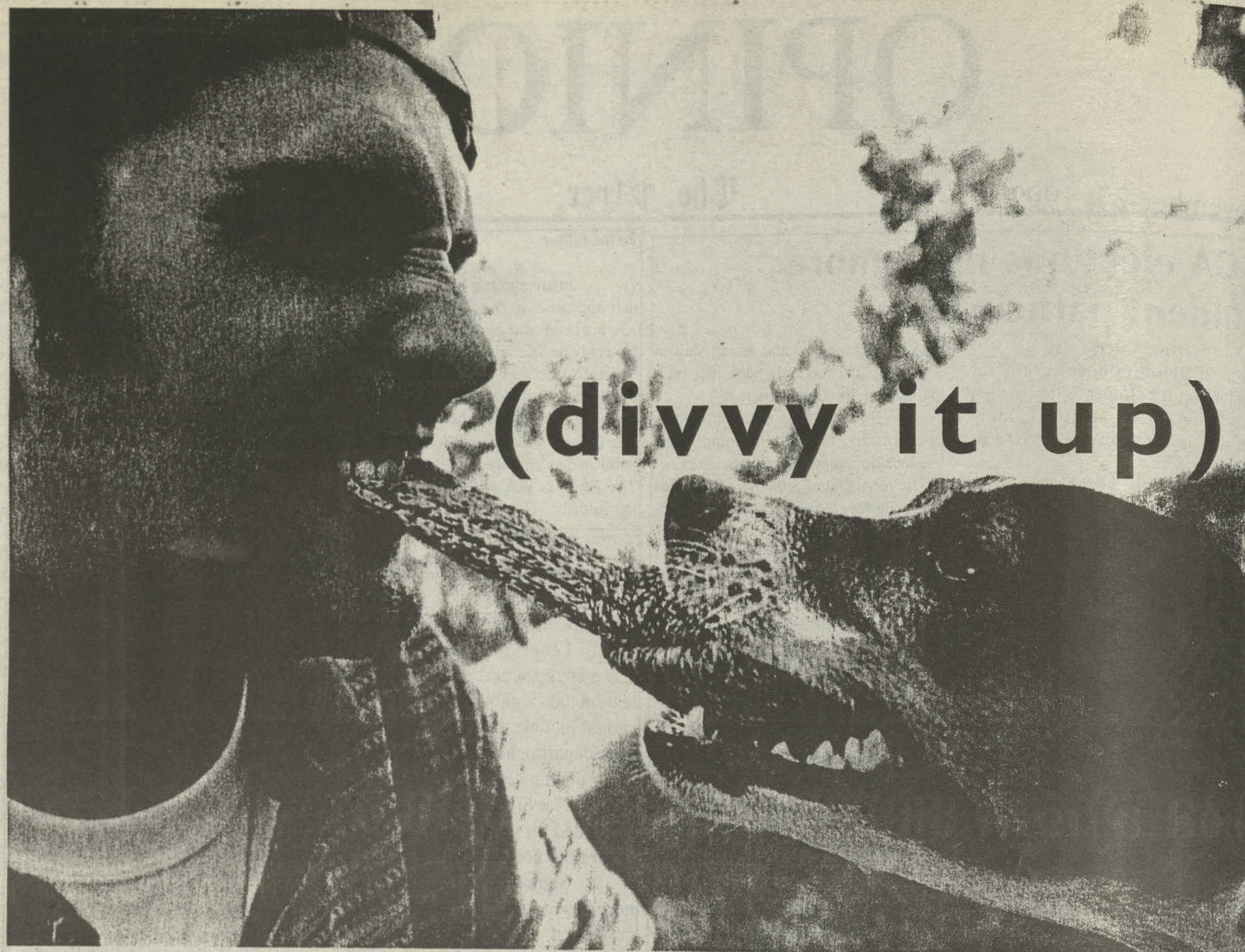
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Thoreau and Dickinson on stage in "Frog Songs"

Heather Crutchfield
 Flyer Staff Writer

"How dreary to be somebody, how public like a frog," Emily Dickinson wrote during her seclusion from society. She sat in her private room, sending cookies down by basket to children passing by while enjoying her solitude.

"Frog Songs" (which dervies it's name from a Dickinson poem), the final play to hit the SSU stage this semester, explores Dickinson's criticized lifestyle by pairing her with another widely read literary figure, Henry David Thoreau.

The play uncovers the lives of Thoreau and Dickinson by exploring an imaginary conversation between them, often using excerpts from their works for dialogue and exposition.

Katherine Franzke, a senior communication arts major, is directing the one-act play as an extension of the directing class she took here last spring. After directing a scene from "Frog Songs" for Associate Professor of Communication Arts T. Paul Pfeiffer's directing class, Pfeiffer asked her to produce the piece in the Black Box this semester. After months of hard work, Katherine's project is about to become a part of SSU theatre history.

"[The play] is about pulling these characters off the bookshelves and showing you who they were and what they were and why what they said was important," Franzke said.

with the works of either author to enjoy the performance. "It exists for people who know Emily and know Thoreau and love them, or for people just being introduced to them," she said.

Joshua Knapp (under a "mound of nerves"), plays Thoreau. Knapp said that despite his many positive experiences on the SSU stage such as playing Eugene in *Grease*, he fears he will not accurately portray the figure to the expectations of many students and faculty members who have a deep rooted admiration for the writer of *Walden Pond* and other works.

"Playing the part of an author like Thoreau, who's such an integral part of American literature has got me feeling a little bit nervous, I must admit," Knapp said.

The challenging character of Emily Dickinson is played by an excited Shannon Benil. Benil has been in several SSU productions and played characters such as Frenchie in *Grease* and Irina in *Three Sisters*, yet the part of Dickinson offers Benil a chance she's never had before, to play a historical figure. It's an opportunity Benil welcomes.

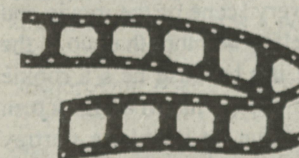
"She found the life that she wanted in nature," Benil said, "I think



The Flyer/Carl Cooksey
 Senior Katherine Franzke will direct "Frog Songs" as part of a communication arts directing class.

She also mentioned that the audience does not have to be familiar

Movie Review: "The Rainmaker"



Pamela Raitt
 Features Editor

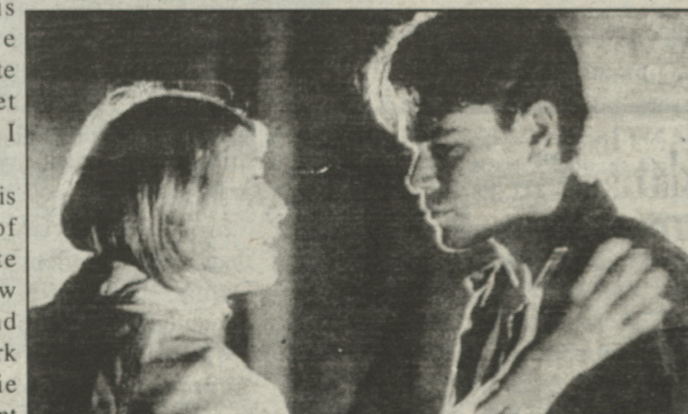
The cover of the current issue of *Vanity Fair* magazine shows Matt Damon, star of the new movie "The Rainmaker," brushing his teeth in a bathtub full of bubbles. "Matt Damon Rocks" reads the bold lettering to the left of his picture. After viewing him in the latest screen adaptation of a John Grisham novel this weekend, I'd have to say that I agree.

Initially, I was skeptical about this movie; "The Pelican Brief" and "The Chamber" both bored me silly and I wondered if the magic had been lost for Grisham's law tales on the big screen. But from the first moments of "The

Rainmaker," when we are introduced to aspiring lawyer Rudy Baylor (Damon), his new boss, mafia defender Bruiser Stone (Mickey Rourke, sleazier than ever) and his ambulance chasing associate Deck Shifflet (Danny DeVito), I took heart.

Baylor is just out of Memphis State University Law School and looking for work when the movie opens. At a recent law school workshop he has met

prospective clients: an elderly woman in need of estate planning and another woman who wants to sue the insurance company that denied medical benefits



The Flyer/Courtesy of Columbia Pictures
 Claire Danes plays an abused wife and Matt Damon plays a neophyte lawyer in "The Rainmaker".

for her son who is dying of leukemia. It's the ensuing trial for the latter that becomes the focus of the movie.

The setup of a decent, hard-working family vs. a villainous billion-dollar insurance company is nothing new for Hollywood, but in "The Rainmaker" it becomes fodder for a spate of lawyer jokes and bashing. This is one of the elements that makes the movie so much fun. You'll laugh out loud at some of the ways in which Baylor and Shifflet (who has never even passed the bar but regularly defends clients in court) pull the rug out from under Great Benefit's legal team. The insurance behemoth's team is headed up by Leo F. Drummond (a terrifically slick Jon Voight), the ultimate fat cat lawyer. "Do you even remember the moment

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A personal account of the battle against smoking

Andrea Brown-Hurley
Flyer Staff Writer

My relationship with Joe Camel is unhealthy. I will not sugarcoat the facts. I have been in enough dysfunctional alliances to recognize codependence, abuse and denial. I will not make excuses for my ineptness at ending the relationship with Joe but will try to understand the forces behind my addiction.

I don't remember the exact moment that Joe entered my life; I only remember meeting him through my father. Like an old college roommate who comes to visit and never leaves, Joe insinuated himself into our family. With only our Dad for support, the fifth family member battled us three girls, Mom, sister and me, on a daily basis. We did not want him there and we expressed our feelings loudly and often.

I remember Joe's annoying presence on family trips to North Carolina. He would hang his butt out the window most of the way, trying to appease our pleas for him to jump. He instigated caustic remarks from my mother, a devoted wife whose endless patience had worn thin. On a more positive note, Joe prompted the frequent rest stops which my "hold-it-until-we-get-there" father wouldn't have made without his pal's insistence.

Eventually, Mom outlawed Joe from the house. But like a spy, he would rendezvous with my father under the guise of outdoor activity: mowing the lawn, working in the shop, walking the dog, etc. While Dad never mentioned his conspirator, I was acutely aware of his

scent of Dad's clothing, in his hair and on his fingertips. I grew to detest the smell, and I begged my father to send Joe packing.

Then one day it happened. Joe was gone! We girls were so excited that we bought Dad a t-shirt that read, "I Quit!" However, even our kind gesture didn't take away Dad's longing for his old friend. Joe's image bombarded him from every direction: in convenience



SSU students fight the battle with tobacco every day.

stores, on the back cover of magazines and in the rearview mirrors of passers-by. While my father had more self control than Her Royal Majesty's gatekeeper, his thoughts kept returning to Joe.

Before long, Dad's willpower crumbled under the pressure of daily life. When I asked, perplexed, why he had let Joe back into our lives after he

had caused so much angst, Dad replied with a barrage of excuses: his job was stressful, he was too old to let go, he needed the comfort of his old friend and raising me as a teenager drove him back to Joe. Gradually, my questions and complaints ceased as I began focusing on my own agenda.

One day, I forgot the sick-in-my-stomach feeling Joe had triggered in me as a child. I forgot the pleas to my

hypocritical to push the issue. If only he had! As the years progressed and I became enmeshed with this destructive mate, I lost the objectivity I once had. I lost the child in me who saw my hero being manipulated by a temporary contentment.

Joe went with me to my father's funeral. I tried to keep him away, believing that his influence brought on the heart attack that killed a vibrant forty-seven-year-old man before his time. But this time, I was the one making excuses: so many people with which to deal, arrangements to be made, high levels of stress and low levels of willpower. I thought, "Life is short. This is how it ends, in a box with strangers peering down on a soulless corpse. Why shouldn't I enjoy myself for the time that I have?" I had allowed Joe to cloud my judgment, just as he had done to my father all those years ago.

Now my daughter pleads with me to exile my vile companion. She lectures me on the long-term effects of Joe on my body and my life. She promises to stop sucking her thumb if I throw Joe out of my life. She says all the same things that I used to say to Dad.

He must have felt the same heartache that I feel when I hear her small, pleading voice. If only I could ask him, "Why? Why didn't you listen?" But I cannot because he is dead. Perhaps that is the greatest reason of all to heed my child's advice.

"The Rainmaker"

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when you first sold out?" Baylor asks him in the middle of a deposition.

Of course the film does differ substantially from the book, especially with the all-too-convenient ways in which some of the trickier loose ends are tied up. A subplot has been tacked on, involving Baylor and a young battered wife (Claire Danes, mostly just standing around looking pale and not saying much) that does nothing to move the plot along. Perhaps Danes's publicist was just desperate to have her appear in a Francis Ford Coppola movie (I know, it's a stretch).

The movie does boast more than a few excellent supporting roles. Danny Glover gives his usual dependable performance as the trial judge and singer Randy Travis and Andrew Shue (Melrose Place's monotone Billy) show up in surprising cameos. DeVito is at his usual shameless best, providing wisecracks throughout.

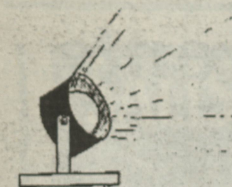
And then there's Damon. He appears in every scene of the movie and proves himself to be more than up to the task. Maybe it's because he's a rookie actor himself (this is his first big-screen starring role) that he is able to portray the perfect blend of naive and obnoxious street smarts as a newly minted lawyer. He's sure of himself in the way that a brand-new graduate is; and he's unsure of himself in the same exact way.

Perhaps "The Rainmaker" will do for Damon what another Grisham screen adaptation, "A Time to Kill" did for Matthew McConaughey: set his career in fast forward motion. And maybe it also signals a new spate of movies dedicated to seeing lawyers eat crow. Well, maybe I'm jumping the gun just a bit.

But in the spirit of Rudy Baylor and Deck Shifflet, I'd like to close with a lawyer joke:

What have you got when you have a lawyer covered up to his neck in sand? Not enough sand.

Spotlight on Kent Kimmel



Emily Argo
Flyer Staff Writer

Each week in Spotlight, Emily Argo ventures out into SSU's hallowed halls of academia in search of professorial profiles.

This week the spotlight shines on Kent Kimmel, professor of art, whose artwork is part of the SSU/UMES Faculty Art Exhibition in the Fulton Hall Gallery on display November 14 to December 18.

His four pieces of art included in the exhibit are portraits. Kimmel said, "[This exhibit] provides faculty with an outlet to exhibit our work. We can show what we are about. It gives students the opportunity to see what faculty members are doing professionally."

His most recent endeavor is stained glass. Kimmel took an adult education course about stained glass while he was on sabbatical. He said, "I've always wanted to do it. It is an interested medium. I enjoy working with colored glass in particular." He has sold many of his stained glass pieces, including a church window, to St. John's Methodist Church and some signs to several area businesses.

Kimmel's specialty is color. He wrote his dissertation on visual perception of color. Kimmel said he finds inspiration for his art everywhere. Kimmel has had his art on display many times including exhibits at St. John's College, Washington College, Laurel Art Guild, Ricks College, Academy for the Arts in Easton, Anne Arundel Community College and Miami University of Ohio. Kimmel said, "It is good to show your work. I try not to show a lot of work to my students outside of exhibition because I do not want them influenced too directly by my work. I want them to find their own voice and style."

This semester Kimmel is teaching Principles of Color, Printmaking: Lithography and Advertising Design 1. In addition to teaching, Kimmel is a committed advisor. Robin Kesselring, a senior arts administration major, said, "He is the most active advisor I have ever had. He is always a step ahead. He provides me with tons of information."

Todd Koester, a senior majoring in three dimensional design, said, "He has been a great mentor for me. He has been a great inspiration to me and has been very encouraging."

Kimmel is very active in SSU and community organizations. Last year, he served as the interim art department chair. He is on the National Council for Accreditation for Teacher Education

steering committee, which is preparing for national accreditation of the Education department in fall 1999. He represents the Fulton School of Liberal Arts on the graduate council and on the University Promotion Committee.

He also represents the art department on the Secondary Education Committee. He said, "I am involved with University committees so I can have some say in what goes on around here. I think it is important that committees include people with different perspectives." Kimmel is on the Arts Enhanced Committee of the Salisbury/Wicomico Arts Councils. He is also the regional representative for Foundations in Art: Theory and Education, which concentrates on fundamental teaching methods and new innovations in arts education.

Kimmel is originally from Dayton, Ohio. He graduated from Miami University of Ohio with a bachelor's degree in Studio Art. At the University of Maryland-College Park he earned his Master's in Printmaking and his doctorate degree in Education. He has been teaching at SSU since 1969.

Kimmel served in Vietnam as a captain in the Marine Corps. He was an airborne forward air controller in the I Core, stationed in the northern part of South Vietnam. He said his military program was very rigorous. At 25 he had 127 soldiers under his command. He said, "That was an awful lot of

responsibility." The military taught Kimmel to be organized and gave him a different perspective on the world. Kimmel said, "Because of my military experience, when I am given a job to do, I do my best. I expect that from my students as well."

Kimmel will be spending winter term in Paris, a trip coordinated by the art department and the modern language department. This will be his third trip to Paris with a university group. He said, "The trip is a broadening experience intellectually, socially and educationally. Students can see historically significant art and architecture while experiencing a foreign culture."

In his free time, Kimmel enjoys sailing his 34 foot Irwin Sloop, which he keeps docked in Cambridge. Kimmel said, "I try to get out there as much as possible. I usually sail once a week." He also likes gardening and landscaping.

Kimmel's family is an important part of his life. His parents, who are in their eighties, moved to Salisbury in 1982 to be closer to their relatives. Kimmel is married and has a daughter, 27, and a son-in-law. His younger brother works for the EPA in Washington, D.C. Kimmel said, "I think I have had a successful career. When I retire, I would like to travel and do my own artwork."

Far from home

a weekly look at SSU's international community

Jennifer Martin
Flyer Staff Writer

Halla (pronounced Haddla) Ingvarsdottir thinks that America is a perfect place to raise her 3 and a half year old son, Asgeir Aron Asgeirson. "It's so different from Iceland, he's having so much fun," she said. Ingvarsdottir is from the small Scandinavian country of Iceland.

Known for its fish and wool products, Iceland has a population of 260,000. Between June, July and August, Iceland is in daylight 24 hours a day. Ingvarsdottir said, "It's great, because you never get tired."

While in Iceland, Ingvarsdottir, who described herself as down to earth and open minded, studied at Hmrahld College for a year and a half. There she took night classes and majored in sociology. However, after the birth of her son in May 1994, she decided to put school off for a while and get a job. But Ingvarsdottir also wanted a change for herself and her son and knew that she would eventually return to finish school.

America was where she wanted to go. Her boyfriend also knew that that

relatives on the Eastern Shore, he convinced her that SSU was the place to go.

"His relatives recommended the school to him, and I was really interested in the Communications department. I was also interested in the small school setting," she said. In January 1997, she packed her belongings, as well as her son's and moved to Salisbury.

Her adjustment to American life came very easy. She has known English since the age of five and because she had traveled here two times before, already knew a lot about Americans. "I had visited my sister in D.C. two times before. I also traveled around, so I knew what Americans were like," she said. Although she doesn't like fast food or American music, "I hate country, British music is better," she said, she

was her dream. So, after talking to his does see Americans as very friendly



Iceland's Halla Ingvarsdottir and her son, Asgeir Aron Asgeirson moved to Salisbury in January.

people with a lot to offer.

Ingvarsdottir, majoring in communication arts and enjoys knitting, believes that she is getting a great education here at SSU. She said that the professors here are "helpful and great."

Although she misses the milk and fish products from back home, she feels that she has gained much since being here. Ingvarsdottir, which means Ingvar's daughter, (Ingvar is her father's first name and dottir means daughter) is most amazed by American television. "In Iceland, we have only two channels. And they don't play on Thursdays or during the whole month of July," she said.

She also enjoys M&M's, which are restricted in Iceland. Her country banned them, due to health reasons involving the red dye. Ingvarsdottir said that they have quickly become one of her favorite American candies.

Ingvarsdottir, who enjoys spending time with her son, talks with her family every other day, usually by e-mail. Many of her relatives, including

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Overheard on Red Square

What SSU is talking about this week...

Overheard on Red Square takes one-week sabbatical

Its writer reportedly said that finding five entertaining, SSU-related things to write about per week is much more challenging than getting blood from a stone.

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What's happening? A guide to campus events

U.S. Army Field Band performs here Dec. 9

The Jazz Ambassadors and Soldiers' Chorus of the world-traveled U.S. Army Field Band present a free concert Tuesday, December 9 at 7 p.m. in SSU's Holloway Hall Auditorium. Co-sponsors for the event are *The Daily Times* and SSU.

Although admission to the concert is free, patrons are asked to bring a donation of nonperishable food for distribution to the area's needy by the Maryland Food Bank, Salisbury chapter.

Free tickets will be available beginning Tuesday, November 25 at *The Daily Times* on Carroll Street, the

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SSU Wind Ensemble features tuba soloist on Dec. 4

The SSU Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Richard L. Johnson, music department chair and graduate conducting intern Ronald J. Demby performs on Thursday, December 4 at 8 p.m. in Holloway Hall Auditorium. Accompanying the Ensemble will be guest artist Kelly S. O'Bryant.

The Wind Ensemble, which was established in 1989 as the Wind Sinfonia, represents some of the finest wind, brass and percussion performers at SSU and on Maryland's Eastern Shore.

The Ensemble performs music representative of all the musical epochs from an educational approach as well as a historical and aesthetic perspective. Some of the works featured in this year's concert include *Fantasia in G*, Timothy Mahr; *Four Scottish Dances*, Opus 59, Malcolm Arnold, setting by John P. Paynter; and *Sinfonia XVII - The Four Winds*, Timothy Broege.

Johnson, associate professor of music and director of wind studies also serves as music director for the SSU

Chamber Music Ensembles. Well known in the mid-Atlantic states as a conductor of contemporary music, Johnson is in demand as guest conductor, clinician, adjudicator and consultant. He holds advanced degrees in both performance and music education from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Michigan State University.

O'Bryant, featured tuba soloist and a graduate of the University of Kansas with a Bachelor of Music in tuba performance, is a freelance artist and

instructor of low brass at SSU. Having previously served as principal tubist with the United States Naval Academy Band, he currently studies with David Fedderly, principal tubist of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

Demby, of Centreville, Md., is a graduate conducting intern at SSU where he studies under Johnson.

For more information on the concert call the SSU Department of Music at 410-543-6385.

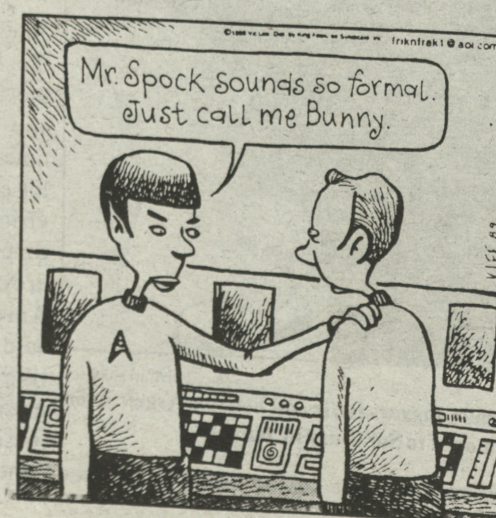
International student profile

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her mother and brother have also been to America. Although she misses them, she is frequently visited by her sister and boyfriend. Though adjusting very well to life here, Ingvarsdottir still isn't used to all the over-the-counter drugs. "Americans are obsessed with health and getting sick. There's a drug for everything," she said.

Ingvarsdottir plans to graduate in two years with a major in communication arts and minor in psychology. She would like to continue her stay and education in the U.S. "I'd like to get my Master's, but I haven't decided where yet," she said.

Ingvarsdottir recommends broadening your horizon by studying abroad. She said, "People learn to become more tolerant of other people's cultures and differences. It teaches you that your way is not necessarily the right way."

For now, Ingvarsdottir plans to influence her son with American culture, while making sure he doesn't forget where he's from. "Before we came here, he didn't know a word of English. He knows some now and has gotten so much better," she said. It seems clear that Ingvarsdottir will continue to create a bright future for both herself and her son.



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Patti Billett-Zigarevich, IU's first master of arts graduate, lives in a remote rural town in Colorado and works a 60 hour week; Patti knew that distance education was the best option to continue her education. By taking classes via the Internet, Patti was able to "be" in class when it was convenient for her. Distance education saved her time and offered her the flexibility she needed. Patti commented, "I consider myself a lifelong learner and with my commitment to work and personal responsibilities it would be virtually impossible for me to continue my education without the luxury of distance education."

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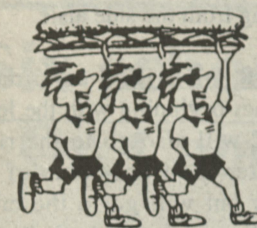


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2. The commencement speaker will be The Honorable J. Lowell Stolfus, Senator for the 38th Legislative District, Senate of Maryland.

3. **Physically Disabled Guests** - Accessible seating is provided on the main floor of the arena. Ask an usher for the location as you enter the Civic Center.

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6. Caps, gowns, master's hoods and announcements (quantities are limited) will be distributed at the Graduation Center in THE BOOK RACK until 2:00 p.m. on December 19, 1997. Graduation items may be retained by the graduates and need not be returned following the ceremony. Problems with caps and gowns can be corrected at THE BOOK RACK or prior to the ceremony by the bookstore employees at the Civic Center, in Flanders Room #1 near the snack bar to the left of the arena entrances. Bookstore hours Monday through Thursday are 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Bookstore hours on Friday are 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **GRADUATES MUST PICK UP THE NECESSARY ITEMS BEFORE 2:00 P.M. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1997.**

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7. Students will first be awarded degrees by school (e.g., School of Liberal Arts), and will be asked, by President Merwin, to stand and remain standing until all degrees have been awarded for that school. President Merwin will then signal undergraduates to move the tassel from the right side to the left side of the mortarboard, and then to be seated.

8. Then students will individually be awarded their diploma. The faculty marshals will have given each graduate a card containing his/her name and the School, (e.g. Perdue School of Business). The card then is to be handed to the person at the podium when the graduate reaches the stage, and at the same time, the graduate is to announce his/her name to the person at the podium, who will then know who the person is and how to pronounce the name correctly. **THE NAME ON THE CARD MUST NOT BE CHANGED FOR ANY REASON.**

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11. Degree candidates who do not plan to participate in the commencement exercises **MUST** notify the Registrar's Office by calling 543-6150 no later than Friday, December 12, 1997. All graduates will receive a blank folder at commencement, and all diplomas will be mailed approximately six weeks after the ceremony. It should be noted that the recognition of graduates and those who will achieve Honors is tentative pending certification of all graduation requirements.

12. Faculty and staff should enter through the Midway Room entrance and line up for the processional at 2:15 p.m. in the Midway Room of the Civic Center. Faculty members are required to attend; those who are unable to do so should inform their respective School Dean.

13. **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE** candidates with last names beginning with the letter A through the letter K will report to **DRS. ED SENKBEIL AND LISA SELDOMRIDGE**. When you enter the main entrance of the Civic Center, go to the left corridor at the rear and line up alphabetically along the inside wall, facing East (the rear of the building). You will sit in Section 3 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the side aisle.

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14. **BACHELOR OF ARTS** candidates will assemble in the South corridor of the Civic Center (to the right after you enter the front doors, on the side nearest the

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15. **BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL WORK (B.A.S.W.)** candidates will also go to the right after you enter the front doors of the Civic Center. You will proceed to the cross corridor (leading to the Midway Room) and report to **DR. GERALD ST. MARTIN**. You will line up alphabetically in that corridor against the wall nearest the front of the building. You will sit in Section 6

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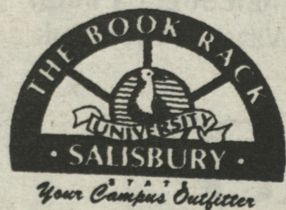


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SPORTS

November 25, 1997

The Flyer

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Six school records set in meet, women and men split

On Campus

Men's Basketball

The Sea Gulls participated in the Susquehanna/Kiwanis Tournament this past weekend. The Sea Gulls rallied from a 19-point second-half deficit to defeat Brockport 102-98 on Saturday in the consolation game.

Sophomore Will Watson and freshman Bernie Dennison each scored 20 points off the bench to pace the Sea Gulls (1-1).

Brockport led 51-36 at halftime and quickly expanded its lead to 55-36 early in the second half. SSU slowly chipped away at the lead and tied the game at 93 with three minutes to play. Senior George Robinson made a free throw 48 seconds later to break the tie as the Gulls wouldn't look back from there.

Sophomore Colin Exelby had 13 points for SSU while Robinson added 13 and junior Eric Prendeville 11. (See *Men's Basketball preview on page 19*)

Women's Basketball

In the first round of the Franklin & Marshall Tournament the Sea Gulls lost a close one to Allentown 76-70 on Saturday.

The Gulls were led by their lone junior Amy Cooke who had 21 points. Freshman forward Lisa Neylan recorded her first double-double of the season with 18 points and 18 boards.

The Gulls faced Franklin & Marshall on Sunday in the consolation game but the results were not available by press time. (See *Women's Basketball preview on page 19*)

Swimming

On Saturday the SSU swim teams split the meet between Goucher College. The women's team won 145 to 60 while the Gophers won the men's meet 97 to 90. There were six school records broken for SSU. Senior Chris Bembek set two of his own on the men's side while freshman Alison Calcaterra set two for the women's team. (See *story this page*)



Brian Ansel
Flyer Sports Writer

The SSU women's and men's swim teams split a key Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) matchup with rival Goucher College on Saturday. The meet between the Gulls and Gophers saw six SSU school records broke in the Maggs Center pool.

The SSU women's team pounded the Gophers 145 to 60. The men's team wasn't as dominate as they lost a close one to Goucher 97-90.

"The women's team came away with a great victory today. Our men's team was not so lucky. They were able to keep it close with Goucher. We figured that either men's team had a chance to win this meet, by seven points to Goucher. Unfortunately, our team lost a very close match," said SSU head coach Jill Stephenson.

School records were not safe at the Maggs Center. The women's team set four school records for the Gulls while Sea Gull newcomer senior Chris Bembek set two school records on the men's side.

The women's team was led by

freshman Alison Calcaterra. Calcaterra set a new Gull record in the 100 meter freestyle event with a time of 1:00.45. Calcaterra's 28:25 seconds in the 50 meter freestyle was good enough for first place and yet another record.

Also setting a new school

record in the 200 meter fly with a time of 2:20.71. Bembek's second mark came in the 200 meter backstroke with a new time of 2:16.32.

"We swam great today. This was our biggest meet of the year. We prepared well for Goucher," said Stephenson.

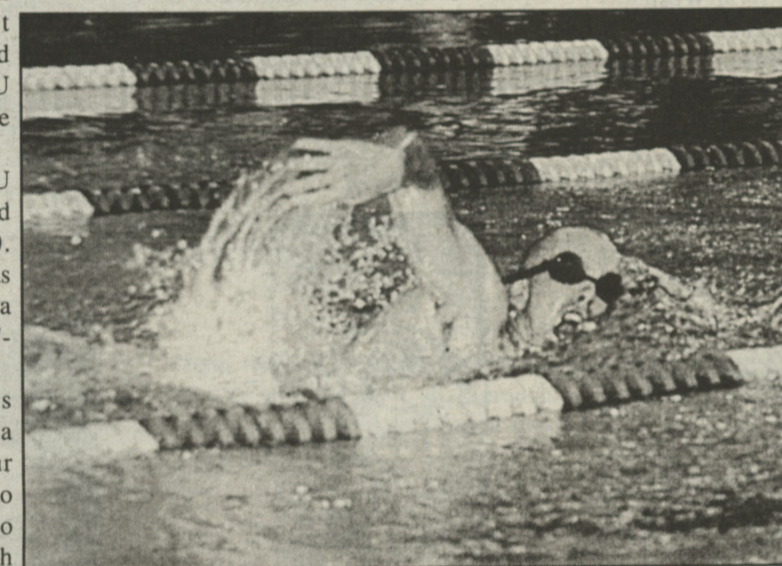
Bembek logged his first record in the 200 meter fly with a time of 2:20.71. Bembek's second mark came in the 200 meter backstroke with a new time of 2:16.32.

Teammate sophomore Michael Nusbaum helped the Gull's cause with a first place finish in the 200 meter freestyle with a time of 2:12.59. Nusbaum also recorded a second place finish in the 400 meter freestyle.

"The women's victory over Goucher helps our chances in the CAC. But it is still early in the season to say how we will do in the future.

The CAC is so unpredictable. It really depends on where the meet is held," said Stephenson.

The Sea Gulls will have a week off during the Thanksgiving break before getting back into action against Marymount University in a CAC meet at home on December 2 at 6 p.m.



The Flyer/Carl Cooksey

Experienced rugby team looks to defend title in the spring

Sam Atkinson
Sports Editor

The SSU club rugby team returned to the national scene two weeks ago when they appeared in the regional championship on the campus of Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Va. Unfortunately for the club rugby team, they lost a tough battle to Villanova (Pa.) University, 18-17 in the regional championship game.

Even with the loss, the team was selected to play in the national playoffs in the first weekend of May in Albany, NY. USA Rugby selected the eight spots to represent Division II.

SSU in the last four years has been in the national spotlight. They are the defending national champions for Division II throughout the country. Last

year was the first year that there was a true champion because in years past there were just region championships. In 1995, SSU won the East Region championship and in 1994, they lost the championship game.

This year SSU went 7-0-1 during the regular season. SSU is coached by Dr. Bob Davis, a plastic surgeon at Peninsula Regional Medical Center. The team, which has 15 players is very experienced with 12 seniors on the roster. "This is a make or break year for us," said Davis, in his 13th year.

The team received strong play throughout the season from senior Scott Wheat who is SSU's fly half, which is the first man in the back field. Junior John Raymond, the scrum half or better known as the quarterback, led SSU with his skills and leadership. Raymond was

last year's MVP of the Division II tournament named by USA Rugby.

SSU has always been a force in rugby and showed their strength at the forward position. Seniors Jon Propper and Tom Huntington and junior L.B. Steele anchored the frontline. "The combination of the three of them are like three linebackers playing a swarming defense," Davis said.

Early on in the season SSU tied Navy, a tough opponent, 10-10. "We played a man down for the whole game. Plus, Navy started one of their Division I sides and not their Division II sides. It was an impressive showing by us," Davis said.

SSU is a member of the Potomac Rugby Union Conference which was established in 1990. In seven

see RUGBY, page 17

All-Flyer Team

As voted by The Flyer's sports staff, we present our inaugural All-Flyer team.

Football - Travis Royall, Senior Free Safety

Royall, a free safety, was a key to the Sea Gull defense. One of three captains, Royall led the team in tackles with 43 and had 28 assists. Royall was a major threat for opponents in the secondary as he picked off a team leading four interceptions. Two of his picks came in the first game of the year on the road at Ursinus. In the second to last game of the year, Royall had 14 tackles against Route 13 rival Wesley College. Royall, from Forestville, Md., was not completely a defense only player as he had one kickoff return for 17 yards. Royall led the Gulls to a 3-6 season. His presence will definitely be lost on the field next season.

(picture not available at press time)

Field Hockey - Megan Hopper, Junior Forward



Hopper had a career year as she led the Gulls and the Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) with 19 goals scored and 44 total points. The junior from Millsboro, Del. was named with four other Sea Gulls to the CAC first team. Hopper also received postseason honors as she was named to the All-South Region first team. She was on the second team only a year ago. Finally, the forward was named first team All-American by the National Field Hockey Coaches Association. Hopper and the Gulls finished 17-3 and ranked No. 1 in Division III. The Sea Gulls were a perfect 5-0 in the CAC and captured a third straight title.

Men's Soccer - Michael Giuffrida, Junior Forward



Giuffrida led the Gulls in scoring with 16 goals and four assists for 36 total points which set a new SSU single-season record. A forward from Fallston, Md., he had three games this season with two or more goals scored. His best performance came in the game at Marymount University, a CAC rival. Giuffrida netted four goals as the Sea Gulls prevailed 6-3. He also had a three goal performance against Goucher and had two goals against Gallaudet. Also the conference leader in scoring, he was named to the CAC first team. Giuffrida will enter his senior season ranked fourth on SSU's all-time career points list with 63. The Sea Gulls finished 12-8 and 6-1 in the CAC. They lost their final game in the championship game, 2-0, to Mary Washington.

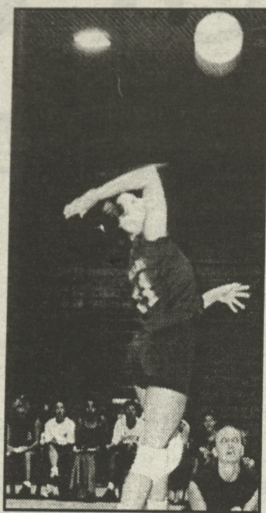
Women's Soccer - Cortney Urban, Sophomore Forward



Cortney Urban had to battle out sisters Nicole and Danielle this year for this award as all three were in serious contention. Cortney held the upper hand when it came to scoring as she led the team with 13 goals and had five assists for a total of 31 points. In two seasons she has a total of 21 goals and eight assists for 50 total points. Sister Danielle, a senior, leaves as the all-time leading scorer with 41 goals and a total of 101 points. Cortney, a forward, was named to the CAC second team as she finished third in the conference in scoring this season. Cortney, from Salisbury, helped SSU finish second in the CAC taking the Gulls to the championship game for a fourth straight year as they went 4-1-1 in the CAC and 15-3-2 overall.

Volleyball - Sandy Palasek, Senior Outside Hitter

Palasek, an outside hitter from Ellicott City, Md., was a main reason why the Gulls returned to the CAC championship game this year. Unfortunately, the Gulls lost 3-0 to York College. Nonetheless Palasek had a great year as she led the Sea Gulls in kills with 414 which is 160 more than the closest teammate in the same



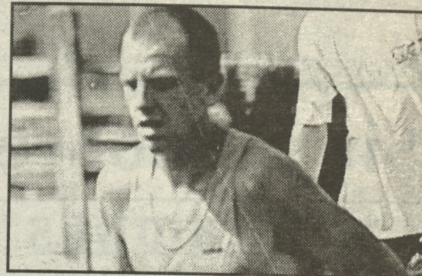
category. Palasek was also very effective with her serve as she had a .914 serving percentage with 19 service aces. She also had 23 blocks in helping SSU to a 20-16 record.

Women's Cross Country - Kerri Bowers, Sophomore



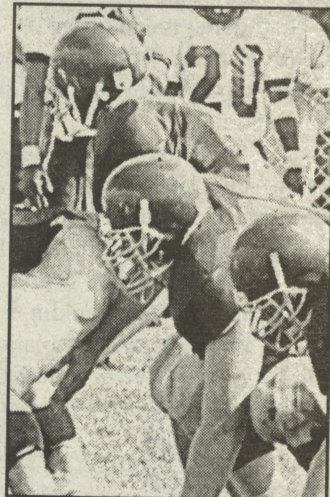
After qualifying for nationals as a freshman last year Bowers, another local product from Salisbury, was the main leader for the women's cross country team. Bowers just barely missed qualifying again this year as she finished 10th in the NCAA South regional, where the top four of non-winning teams goes to nationals. Throughout the season, Bowers was always near the top for SSU as she finished first in the CAC championships with a time of 21 minutes flat. Bowers took home the award of CAC Women's Athlete of the Year for cross country. In the Mason-Dixon Championship, Bowers placed, third, in the Goucher Invitational Bowers was second and came in 12th in the Maryland College Invitational. In the only home meet of the year, Bowers won the Tidewater Classic with a time of 19:53. In two early races Bowers finished second in both the CNU Invitational and York Invitational.

Men's Cross Country - Max Snavlin, Sophomore



Snavlin, part of the strong sophomore running class, earned all first place votes by our voters in this category, the only athlete to do so. Snavlin placed second in both the CNU Invitational and the York Invitational as he set his personal record of 27:50 at the York meet. In a very competitive field, Snavlin, from Westminster, Md., took home fifth place in the Tidewater Classic. In the Maryland College Invitational Snavlin finished 23rd and in the following week received second place in the Goucher Invitational. In the Mason-Dixon Championships Snavlin took fifth as the lone SSU representative in the top 10. In the CAC championships he finished ninth as helped SSU finish in first place in the conference. In the final meet of the year Snavlin made it into the Top 25 in the NCAA South Region, finishing in 22nd place.

Rookie of the Year - Matt Main, Freshman Quarterback



Main, a true freshman, stepped right into the starting position for the Sea Gulls as their quarterback. Main from Middletown, Md., showed composure in the pocket and leadership as the field general. Main had 96 completions out of 201 attempts for 1,125 yards. That was good enough for a .478 passing percentage as he averaged 125 yards a game in his nine starts. His longest pass of the year was 62 yards. Main threw for five touchdowns but was sacked 23 times and had 10 interceptions. Main's best game was against Wesley, when he threw for 189 yards.

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Club team looks for new players for next season

RUGBY, from page 15
years SSU has won the conference championship five times. The ten teams playing in the conference are George Washington University, American University, St. Mary's College, Johns Hopkins University, U M B C, Washington College, Mt. St. Mary's College, Frostburg State University and Navy.

For the spring season, which will begin around March 1, the schedule will contain all Division I teams in order to get SSU ready for the national championships in May. SSU will play the likes of An SSU rugby player evades a tackle from a Bucknell rugger.

University of Delaware, Towson University, Loyola College, University of Maryland and East Carolina. "We have had calls from rugby powerhouses Penn State University and West Virginia

University. We are very flattered, but our schedule is full," said Davis.

The club rugby team has been very successful in the last couple of years and has lost the negative reputation most people label rugby

has had problems but we take the game serious."

As the team gears up for the spring season, they are desperately looking for new players because of the departure of 12 players after the spring season. Davis asked that anyone interested in rugby contact Dave Brown in the Recreation Department before March of next year. No experience is necessary as long as you are athletic and willing to be part of a team.

Even though they don't get the complete coverage that most SSU

teams receive, the rugby team has been quietly winning their championships. "We are still a little known sport," Davis said.




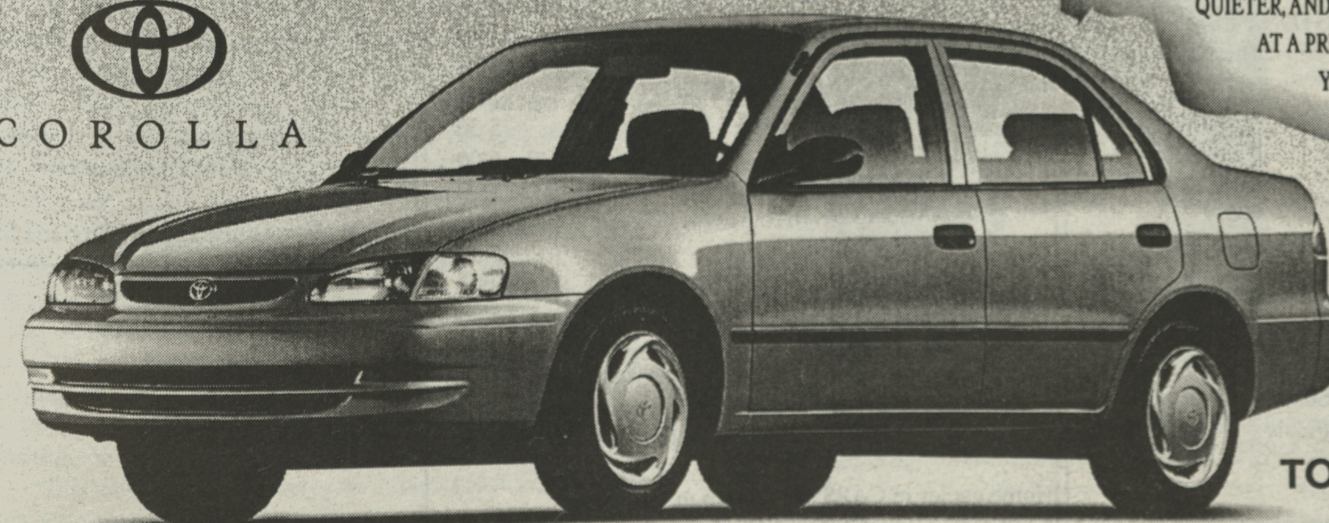
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| Tuesday, November 25 | - Men's Basketball at Washington College (7:30 p.m.) |
| Tuesday, December 2 | - Swimming vs. Marymount University (6 p.m.) |
| Wednesday, December 3 | - Women's Basketball at Catholic university (6 p.m.) - Men's Basketball at Catholic University (8 p.m.) |
| Friday, December 5 | - Men's Basketball hosts the Optimist Gull Classic (TBA) - Women's Basketball hosts the Optimist Gull Classic (TBA) |
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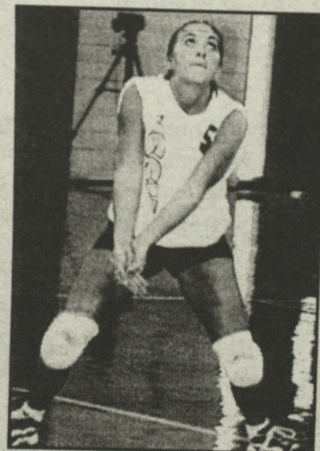
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All-Flyer Team

ALL-FLYER TEAM, from page 16

Unsung Heroes of the Year
Cassie Cutright,
Senior Server



Our Unsung Hero of the Year award was a tight race as both Cutright and Martzall tied for the honor as both players played a important role for their team.

Cutright, a senior on the volleyball team, came off the bench numerous times to show her great service game. Cutright led the team in serving percentage with a .953 mark and had 25 service aces. Cutright, from Denton, Md., also showed her defense as she had over 220 digs. Cutright's team spirit and senior leadership helped out the younger players as they finished with a 20-16 record.



Abby Martzall, Junior Forward

Martzall, a forward for the field hockey team, showed a high skill level and spirit as she came off the bench in crucial games for the Sea Gulls. In the fourth game of the year, Martzall netted two goals at home against Johns Hopkins. The junior from Akron, Pa. had another two-goal performance later in the season against St. Mary's at home. Martzall, along with two other players, scored four goals and was third best for the Division III No. 1 team. Martzall didn't start many games but saw a lot of time off the bench as the Sea Gulls went 17-3 for the season.

Coach of the Year
Dawn Chamberlin,
Field Hockey

In her 11th year as head coach, Chamberlin has taken her teams to the NCAA tournament 10 out of 11 tries.



For the third straight year Chamberlin entered the NCAA tournament as the champion of the CAC. This year her team shutout every CAC opponent as they went untouched in the CAC's, 5-0. The Sea Gulls were 17-3 overall as they suffered tough losses to Cortland State, Plymouth State and Messiah College in the NCAA tournament quarterfinals. The Sea Gulls had a 13-game winning streak this season. Chamberlin has coached over 23 field hockey all-Americans since 1987. Coach Chamberlin also received Coach of the Year honors in the CAC for her third straight year.

Player of the Year
Megan Hopper,
Field Hockey

The first ever Player of the Year for the All-Flyer Team goes to our



field hockey MVP Megan Hopper. Hopper, the main scoring threat for the Gulls along with senior Laura Getty, helped the Sea Gulls to a 17-3 record. Hopper tallied the game-winning goal in five games this season, including an overtime marker in SSU's 1-0 win over Washington College in the NCAA Tournament. Hopper also struck earlier in the season against the Shoreman as she netted the game-winner in the first overtime period. Hopper had a two goal performance in the first game of the season against Catholic University. Against field hockey powerhouses, the Sea Gulls turned to Hopper again as she scored against Ithaca in the second overtime period and gave the Gulls the 1-0 upset victory of the then No. 2 in the nation The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) on Oct. 19 on the road. The win snapped TCNJ's 25-game winning streak and 48-game home winning streak. The junior ranks 10th all-time at SSU in career goals and points with one season of eligibility remaining.

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Basketball Preview 1997-98

Inexperience and talent surround Sea Gull men as season begins

Paul Krome
Flyer Sports Writer

There are a couple of operative words surrounding the SSU men's basketball team as it enters the 1997-98 season. The first is inexperience. The Sea Gulls return just five lettermen and one starter from last year's 25-6 squad that advanced all the way to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Division III Tournament.

The second word is talent. Despite nine underclassmen on the roster, head coach Ward Lambert believes his team has the kind of talent

amassed a 393-321 overall record. "They are going to score more for us this year as well."

Sophomore Colin Exelby moves into the starting lineup at the shooting guard spot, where he adeptly filled in at times last season. Exelby led the Gulls by hitting 43.4 percent of his three-pointers, finishing second to John DeRichie in three-pointers made with 36. Freshman Josh Merkel will come off the bench. "He has a great work ethic and shooting ability," said Prendeville, of the 6-foot Merkel.

Senior George Robinson, the team's top returning scorer, will get the starting nod at small forward, where he



This year's men's squad looks to regroup after the loss of four seniors.

and depth that can make up for the lack of game experience.

"This is the most talent we've had here in a long time," said Lambert, entering his 28th season at SSU. "Offensively, we have the talent to go 11 or 12 deep and not lose anything. Right now, we need experience playing together."

The leadership for developing that experience will come from the point guard position, clearly the Sea Gulls' strongest position. Junior Eric Prendeville and senior Matt Golden provide SSU with a solid rotation. Prendeville, the team's lone returning starter, averaged 4.8 points per game and finished third in the Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) with 4.9 assists per game last season. Golden played an average of 15 minutes in all 31 games, contributing 3.8 assists per game. Both will be counted on to provide stability and direction, on and off the court.

"That position is definitely our strength. Eric and Matt give us a fine tandem," said Lambert, who has

averaged 13.9 points and 4.9 rebounds last year. The 5-foot-10-inch Robinson has tremendous leaping ability. He will be joined in the frontcourt by sophomore Brett Gibbs, who saw time in all 31 games last season. Up front is where the newcomers will have the biggest impact. The Sea Gulls gained some much-needed height with the addition of 6-foot-6-inch St. Mary's College transfer Sean Soyars and 6-foot-6-inch sophomore Bernie Dennison. Sophomore Will Watson and freshman Paul Kwajajafa, who both stand at 6-feet-4-inches, will also contribute on the frontline. Senior Jamal Montgomery and freshman C.J. Jarmon should also see playing time.

While Lambert indicated he has simplified both the offense and defense to accommodate the newcomers, the Sea Gulls will still feature their traditional up-tempo style of play. SSU's run-and-gun offense averaged 92.7 points per game last year, third best in the nation. That was

Women's basketball hoping to return to the promised land

Young squad sporting same old look

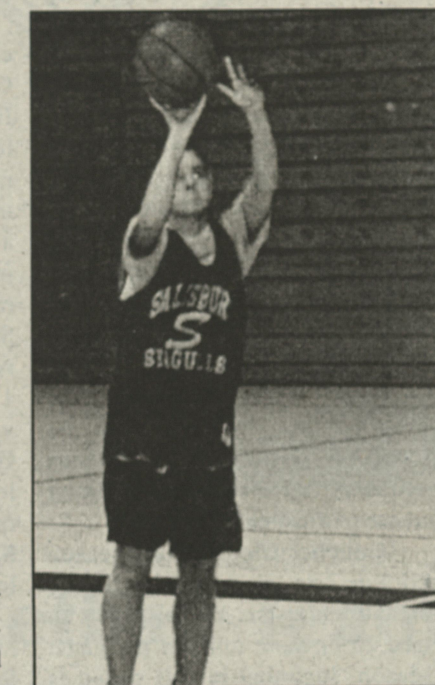
Brian Burden
Flyer Sports Writer

The SSU women's basketball team has never been overloaded with experience. The same will be true this season, as the team sports no seniors and only one junior, as they try and get back to their customary position in the NCAA Division III tournament.

Coach Bridget Benshetler, now in her eighth season at the helm, does not see the team's youth as a problem. "We're going to be a strong team, regardless of our age. Our schedule is tough, but we're going to be a team to contend with."

The team returns only five players from last year's squad that finished 16-10 overall and 9-5 in the Capital Athletic Conference (CAC). Three starters do return, though, and scoring will not be a problem. Junior guard Amy Cooke, one of the team's tri-captains, along with Jessica LaTour and Jill Trout, returns at the point. After two solid years as both a starter and a reserve, Cooke now assumes the designation of court general. She is the team's leader both on and off the court. She averaged nearly eight points a game last season while leading the team with 161 assists, averaging over six a game. She averaged just under 28 minutes per game a year ago and that number will have to increase for the team to be successful. "I'm expecting Amy to have

a big year. This is her team and I know she will lead it well," Benshetler said. Sophomores LaTour and Trout will be counted on to follow up

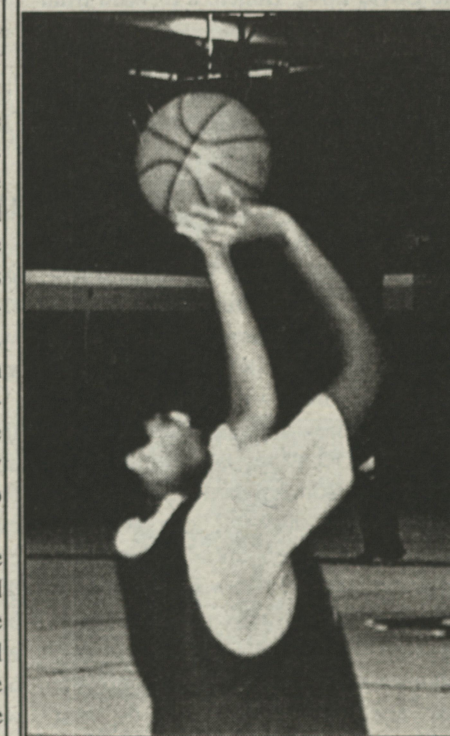


The Flyer/Courtesy of Sam Atkinson
Junior Amy Cooke will be looked to as the leader of the team, as she is the only upperclassman.

impressive freshmen campaigns. LaTour, the team's most valuable player last season, averaged nearly 18 points and 5.8 rebounds from her guard position, but won't be available until January because of injuries. Filling in will be sophomore Shannon Noon. Known for her solid defense and gritty play, Noon has shined in preseason workouts and is getting the chance Benshetler knew she deserved all along.

"Shannon has taken a golden opportunity and made the most of it. I'm not at all surprised at what she's doing though. She's in awesome physical condition and her defense has been steady. It's hard to get playing time with Jessica playing the way she did. Shannon will be more than able, and I hope that she will be able to produce on the offensive end as well," Benshetler said.

Trout is a bit of an enigma right now. Like LaTour, Trout had a standout freshman season, averaging 12 points and 6.5 boards a game. Unfortunately, like LaTour, Trout is suffering from injuries. She will be available at the start of the season, but she will be used as a reserve until she has recovered 100 percent. Also returning is sophomore forward Katea Murray, a two sport standout, who had a banner season for the volleyball team. She will be counted



The Flyer/Courtesy of Sam Atkinson
Sophomore Katea Murray adds much needed size to the front court.

Men's Capital Athletic Conference Preview

Sam Atkinson
Sports Editor

This year, the Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) will not be an easy one for the SSU's men's basketball team. The Gulls, who finished 12-2 in the CAC and lost in the championship game to Goucher College 83-67, hopes that their young squad can return to the CAC championship game this year. It will be a tough one for the Sea Gulls who are ranked second in the preseason CAC coaches poll. For SSU, their CAC championship run goes through Towson, Md. the home of the No. 1 Gophers.

The No. 1 team in the preseason poll is Goucher College who returns four starters from last year's 23-6 squad that advanced to the second round of the NCAA Division III Tournament. The Gophers finished 13-1 to claim the regular season title in the CAC and then proceeded to capture the post-season conference tournament.

Goucher finished last season ranked No. 2 in the Middle Atlantic Region and returns six key players who averaged 20 or more minutes per game last season. Included in this group is junior forward Tavar Witherspoon, who averaged 15.1 ppg and 7.0 rpg in earning second team All-CAC honors last season. Junior guard Bakari Ward was third on the team in scoring last year at 13.7 ppg, despite starting only three games. He also led the team in steals and finished second among the league leaders with 77.

The Gophers are coached by Leonard Trevino in his eighth season with a 97-87 record. Once again, the Gophers will contend for the CAC championship and are looking to be ranked in several pre-season polls. The Gophers led the CAC in defense last

year, surrendering only 64.3 ppg and limiting teams to a .408 field goal percentage.

The Sea Gulls will have to wait until mid-January before they see the Gophers on the road. Then on Feb. 11th at home SSU will host Goucher in a key CAC matchup that may have heavy emphasis on the conference championship by that time.

The No. 3 team in the conference is York College. The Sea Gulls split last year against the Spartans. It was as if there were two different teams playing each other over a two month hiatus. SSU took the first meeting in December pretty easily with a 106-73 victory. Two months later, on the road in February, the Spartans got their revenge with a 119-108 overtime victory over the Gulls. The Spartan loss is one of the only two losses the Sea Gulls suffered in the CAC last season.

The Sea Gulls look to get revenge on the Spartans early in the season on the road in the second week of December. The Spartans invade the Maggs Center on Feb. 7th next year.

Mary Washington College (MWC) No. 4 in the polls looks to build on its surprising success from last year. The Eagles finished with their first winning season in a decade going 15-11. Second-year head coach Rod Wood will look to a strong core of returning players, including juniors George Bunch and David Love. Bunch, a forward from Lynchburg, Va., led the CAC in rebounding last year, with a 10.1 average. He is also MWC's top returning scorer, netting 14.1 ppg a year ago. Love

returns at guard for the Eagles where he averaged 10.1 ppg and 3.8 apg last season.

It will be a while before the Eagles will visit the Maggs Center, not until Jan. 24th. The Gulls will wait even longer before traveling to Fredericksburg, Va. on Valentine's Day.

Leading off the bottom half of the CAC polls is No. 5 Marymount University. Last year the Saints were 9-16 overall with a 6-9 conference record, putting them in a fourth-place tie. The Saints will look to seniors Steve Stallmer at forward who averaged 14.6 ppg and 4.4 rpg and guard Ivan Young who had 4.6 ppg. Juniors Adam Wells and Keegin Teare will see a

lot of action in their starting roles. Some key newcomers for Marymount are sophomores Billy Coleman and Thierry Duverneau. The Saints are coached by Chuck Driesell in his first season.

Marymount was an easy opponent for SSU last year but the young Gulls can't take the Saints lightly. The Saints will host the Sea Gulls near the end of January. The Gulls will then host the Saints a week before the CAC tournament.

The Catholic University Cardinals look to rebound from a disappointing 12-13 season after making the NCAA tournament in 1996. Over 4,500 career points have graduated for the No. 6 team in the CAC preseason polls. The Cardinals do return some key veterans and a promising freshman class could help Catholic get back on track.

A trio of guards, including senior Shawn Kane and juniors Jim McNiff and Sean Tuohey, will carry the

scoring load. McNiff is expected to play a major role with the ability to score from long range or off the dribble. Kane led the team in three-pointers last season. A lot of will be expected from the co-captain Tuohey, who transferred mid-season from Lehigh, but never got untracked.

In the frontcourt the Cardinals need more production if they are going to be successful. Senior center Jason Alexander is one of the nation's top shot blockers, but has to improve his scoring and rebounding. Junior co-captain Mike Gallagher is expected to start at power forward. His toughness will help the Cardinals on the boards where they were out-rebounded in 18 of 25 games last season. The Cardinals are coached by Mike Lonergan who is 77-53 in five seasons.

The Cardinals see the Gulls early on in the season at home at the beginning of December. SSU will then host Catholic on Jan. 28th at the Maggs Center.

The No. 7 St. Mary's College of Maryland is a very young team with nine new players. The Seahawks have three key returners, with a very impressive backcourt. One of which is senior Garrett O'Donnell who had 50 assists and 53 steals at the guard position last season. He averaged 3.5 ppg and 2.0 rpg. The other part of the backcourt duo is leading scorer Demetrius Henson, a senior guard. Henson averaged 14 points per game and had 3.2 rpg. He was a solid 69.1% from the charity stripe. Kevin Robinson will also contribute as a returning player.

The Seahawks will have to wait until Jan. 31st before they see the Sea Gulls. SSU will then host St. Mary's before the CAC tournament begins in the last week of February.

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Time will only tell if the Sea Gulls can return to the NCAA tournament

MEN'S PREVIEW, from page 19 accomplished with four seniors in the starting lineup and five players averaging double figures in scoring. With the exception of Robinson, the Gulls lack a proven scorer.

"We don't have a big scorer this year, but we have more people capable of leading the team in scoring each night," said Lambert, who will earn his 400th career victory with SSU's seventh win this season. "Our five returners have all stepped up [their scoring output]."

"Our style is still the same, we just have new people in those spots," said Prendeville, who started all 31 games last year. "Player for player, we

are more talented. Our team chemistry will be the hardest thing to overcome. We have to find a starting five that is as coherent as last year's."

Lambert will waste no time finding out how much the rookies can contribute. Dennison, Jarmon, Kwajafa, Merkel and Watson should see playing time early and often. "Those five have done a real good job so far. We're going to count on them right away," he said.

While the newcomers will play, captains Prendeville, Golden and Robinson must provide leadership if the Gulls are going to capitalize on their talent. "They're giving us excellent leadership. They're very determined to make this team win," said Lambert. "Some of the new guys have had trouble

grasping the system. In certain situations they have tended to be hesitant. But we're going to get better with every game."

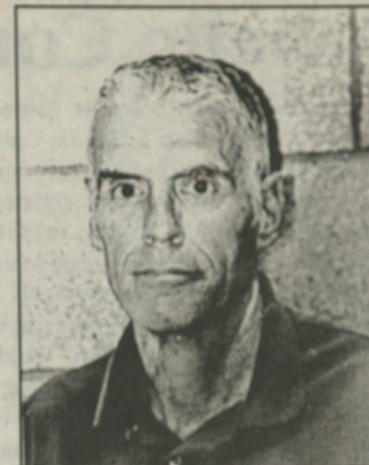
SSU will again challenge for the CAC title. In a preseason poll, the conference coaches tabbed the Gulls to finish second behind defending champion Goucher College. "The conference race is going to be a dogfight. A couple other teams have beefed up," said Lambert. "In the end when the tournament rolls around, we'll be right there. But I'm not sure about the regular season."

Prendeville offered a firmer prediction: "We're going to win the conference this year. We owe Goucher and we're going to get them." The

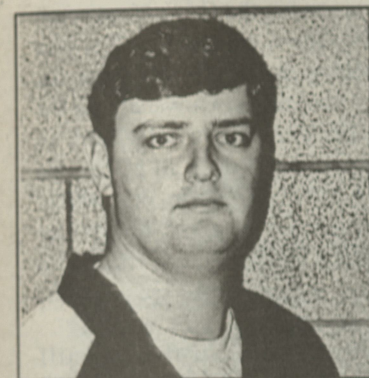
Gophers won the CAC last year with an 83-67 win over SSU in the tournament finals.

The Sea Gulls' appearance in the 1997 NCAA Tournament was their second straight and fourth of the decade. Despite the obvious lack of game experience on this year's team, Lambert is setting his sights on a third consecutive berth in the national tournament. "That's our goal. If we are playing together by the end of the year, we'll be good because we have a lot of talent," he said.

After opening the season in Susquehanna College's tournament last weekend, SSU travels to Eastern Shore rival Washington College tonight for a 7:30 p.m. nonconference game.



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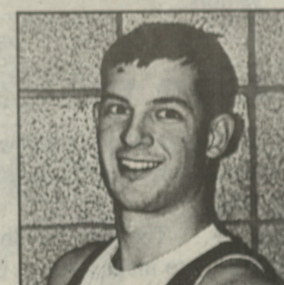


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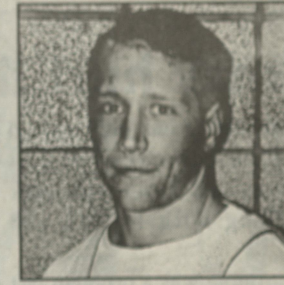
Salisbury State 1997-98 Men's Basketball Team



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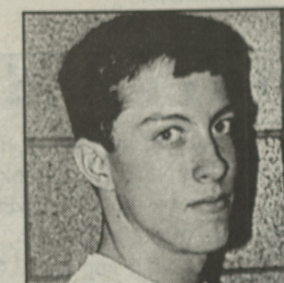
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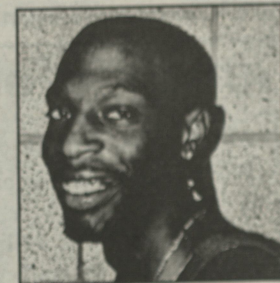
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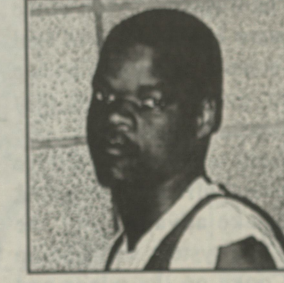
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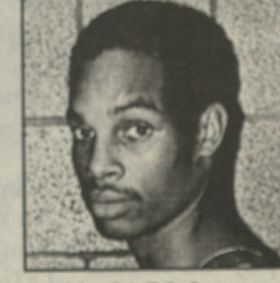
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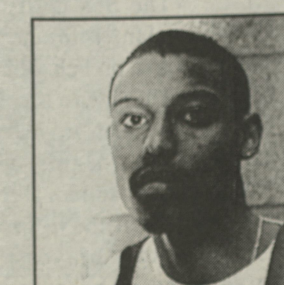
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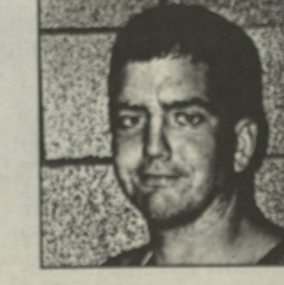
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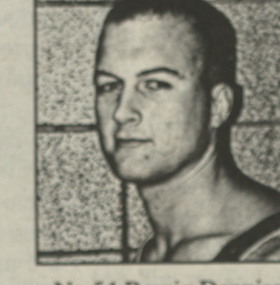
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Center, So.

not pictured: No. 12 Matt Golden, Guard, Sr. and No. 40 Paul Kwajafa, Forward, Fr.

Women's Capital Athletic Conference Preview

Brian Ansel
Flyer Sports Writer

The winter season has arrived, marking the start of a fresh basketball season. The SSU women's basketball team will have to take on a tough conference schedule in the Capital Athletic Conference (CAC). The Gulls were ranked No. 2 in the preseason coaches poll selected by the eight conference coaches.

The Cardinals of **Catholic University**, No. 7 in the conference, are a team that is returning all five starters. Catholic University had an overall record of 5-20 last season and a 2-12 record in the CAC. The Cardinals are coached by Kathy Kilty. Leading the way for the Cardinals is junior guard Becky Mintzer who averaged 17.8 ppg last season. Mintzer set a school record with 68 three-pointers made. She was also ranked fifth in the nation with 3.2 three-point baskets per game.

No. 6 **York College** is a team that lost two of its most productive players in school history. The Spartans are very optimistic about the upcoming season despite the loss of both Betsy Roberts and Stacy Chandler. York College is coming of an 11-13 record and a 7-7 record in the CAC. Betsy

Witman is the Spartans new head coach. The Spartans look to senior forward Tina Litz and sophomore guard Katie Patise.

The Spartans have always given SSU competitive games in years past and this year will be no different. Dec. 9th will be the first meeting on the road in Pennsylvania. The Sea Gulls will then host the Spartans on Feb. 7th.

Marymount University is a team that went to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Division III Tournament. The Saints overall record was an impressive 28-2 overall and 17-0 in the CAC. The Saints finished first in the CAC last year under head coach Bill Finney but fell to No. 3 in the polls with one first place vote. Finney has coached the Saints for the last 14 seasons. Marymount will look to sophomore guard Rachel Taylor for scoring. Taylor made second team CAC and recorded 9.7 ppg and 5.2 rebounds per game.

The Saints took two from the Gulls last year. It won't be until next year in January before these two teams meet on the road in Arlington, Va. The Sea Gulls will host the Saints a week before the CAC tournament begins.

Mary Washington College, ranked fifth in the preseason, is a team that will return five starters. The Eagles look to improve on their 6-8 CAC

record. The Eagles will look to head coach Connie Gallahan to push them through the upcoming CAC season. Gallahan is entering her 21st season at the helm for the Eagles. Mary Washington's senior forward Lindsey Stover averaged 15.7 ppg and nine rebounds per game last season.

The Gophers of **Goucher College** are coming off a overall record of 2-22 and an 0-14 CAC record. The Gophers will remain buried in the CAC as they are picked for the cellar once again. Head coach Noelle Navarro is entering her eighth season. Navarro will look to junior guard Zeena Huang and sophomore Dana Bollinger to improve the Gophers record in CAC play from last season. Huang averaged 8.5 ppg while Bollinger averaged 7.5 ppg and three apg.

In the middle of the CAC is No. 4 **St. Mary's College of Maryland**. This is a team that is looking to improve on a 14-12 overall season record. The Seahawks had a 7-7 record in the CAC. Head coach Shann Hart is heading into her second season as the coach of the Seahawks. The Seahawks will hope junior guard Amaris Johnson can carry the team. Johnson started in all 26 games for the Seahawks and averaged 6.8 ppg.

The Seahawks ended the season last year for the Sea Gulls so there is no doubt SSU is looking for revenge. The first meeting won't be until Jan. 31st on the road for the Gulls. Then St. Mary's will pay a visit to the Mags Center in the last game of the regular season on Feb. 21st.

The Bison of **Gallaudet University** are a coming off a season where the team made an appearance for the first time in the NCAA Division III Tournament. The Bison, No. 1 in the conference polls, are looking to improve on a 19-9 overall record and finished second in the CAC. Head coach Kitty Baldrige is entering her 21st year and is hoping that her young team can challenge Marymount University for the CAC title. The Bison will look to sophomore center Ronda Jo Miller, the 1996-97 CAC Player of the Year. Miller was also Rookie of the Year. Miller averaged 22.3 per game. Miller also finished the season ranked second in the nation in rebounding.

The Gulls will have stiff competition for the CAC title. They will have to wrestle away the CAC title from Marymount University. St. Mary's College will also offer strong competition for the very young Sea Gulls who only have one junior and no seniors.

The lack of leadership may hurt the Gulls as the season wears on

WOMEN'S PREVIEW, from page 19 on to increase her total rebounds and do some of the dirty work inside.

The team has added eight new players, including seven freshmen, to its arsenal. Benshetler's squads have been known to have freshmen put up big numbers, as LaTour and Trout proved last season. Three of the freshmen are expected to add scoring and big time play. Lisa Neylan, a six foot forward from Trenton, N.J., gives Benshetler some height and will be able to score as well. Elisabeth Barfuss is being counted on to score while Michele Deschu will provide the pressure defense that the team has become noted for.

The style of play will continue to be with the player's strengths. Benshetler loves to run and this year will be no different. The team averaged 83 points last season while the pressure defense that Benshetler loves to play will be present again this year.

The team shot a respectable 42 percent from the field and a solid 66 percent from the charity stripe. Benshetler is hoping for an improvement from beyond the three-point arc, where the Sea Gulls shot only 29 percent last season. LaTour will add that threat when she returns.

Rebounding has been the team's number one priority this

preseason. Benshetler has emphasized crashing the boards every day at practice. Murray and Trout will work the inside along with Neylan and Barfuss.

Foul trouble was a problem last season with 29 disqualifications. Benshetler doesn't see that as a problem this year as long as Trout can keep herself out of foul trouble. "Most of the players that were consistently in foul trouble last season are gone so we should be in good shape in that department," Benshetler said.

The team will implore a three guard-two forward offense throughout the season to take advantage of the team's speed. The system will free up LaTour and Cooke on the wings and allow Trout to move around and get inside baskets. The team is at its best when the offense is moving fast and furious. A slow tempo matchup could be a problem if the guards aren't free to roam.

The team belongs in the upper division of the CAC, but Benshetler knows that they will have to prove themselves during the season to be considered the best. The Sea Gulls were 0-5 against Gallaudet and Marymount, widely considered the two strongest teams in the league. Benshetler knows the road to the CAC championship will

have to go through the Bison and the Saints. "I ranked us third in the conference because I believe that for us to be considered the best, we have to beat the best," Benshetler added.

The Sea Gulls, No. 2 in the preseason CAC coaches poll, have a tough non-conference schedule ahead of them, including Allentown, Baldwin Wallace, Christopher Newport and the

College of New Jersey will keep the Sea Gulls alert while they are away from the CAC.

The team has the talent and the energy to make a run at the NAAs, but they must overcome the early season injuries and will have to play better on the road to prove they belong in the tournament.

Goucher looks to defend title

MEN'S CAC, from page 20 Robinson will also contribute as a returning player.

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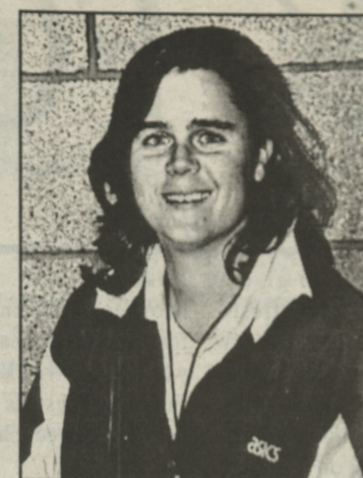
The team's speed and quickness has been improved, but the team's ability to shoot is a concern. A key for early season success for the Seahawks will be how quickly the new players pick up on the St. Mary's style of play. Coach Bob Flynn, in his fourth season, looks to improve on last year's 4-8 conference record.

The final team in the CAC preview is **Gallaudet University**, who was blanked in CAC competition last year, going 0-14. The Bison were only

able to get one win as they finished 1-24. The No. 8 Bison look to improve on their worst season in over 26 years. The return of Stefan Bergan, who averaged 7.2 ppg, 6.6 apg and 3.6 rpg will help bolster the team's ball handling. Gallaudet averaged 20.6 turnovers a game.

The Sea Gulls will host the Bison on Jan. 14th and then travel to the D.C. area on Feb. 4th.

This year the CAC is more competitive than in years past. Any of the top four teams could win the conference championship. A lot of the ball clubs will have to overcome the loss of key players either from graduation or because of eligibility. Young clubs will need time to jell together while veteran squads such as Goucher looks to defend their title for another year.



Bridget Benshetler
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Kelly Whittmore
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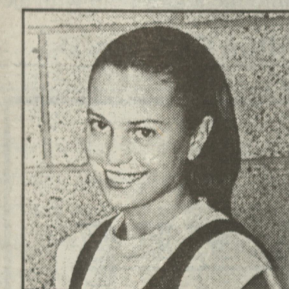


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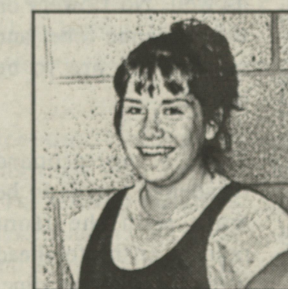
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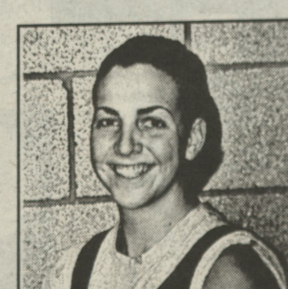
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not pictured: Assistant Coaches Suzette Thom and Calvin Burrell

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The Flyer

November 25, 1997

Alpha Sigma Tau

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Alpha Sigma Tau would like to congratulate its newly initiated members; we hope you had a great night. Hope everyone has a fun and safe Thanksgiving break.

Delta Gamma

ΔΓ

Delta Gamma would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving. We would like to say thanks to Pi Lam for an awesome time at the social. Congratulations to the new Panhellenic President, Carolyn Moloney, and all of the new officers and rush counselors. Last but not least, Happy Birthday to Megan Howie. Until next time...

Greek Council

Remember that on Dec. 13th Greek Council will be ringing bells for the

Salvation Army. The place to give a donation for this event is Superfresh. The Social Service Chair is open for any person who is interested. Also, Greek Council will once again Adopt a Family for the holidays. Everyone, have a great Thanksgiving and good luck on finals.

Phi Mu

ΦΜ

Inspiration week was a blast. Thanks to everyone for all their hard work. Congratulations to our new initiates. You girls did a great job. We love you guys! Congrats to "T" who got initiated into Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society. Birthday wishes go out to Jen G. Have a great break everybody!

Pi Lambda Phi

ΠΛΦ

Is it true that Bones has actually written a flyer? Wet Nap, I have your Huggies Preferred Customer Card. Congrats to the Neophytes Matt, Matt, Chris, Tim,

Mike and Seth. PA, you are always brother, you know it's strong and forever. Karl, what can we say, we love you. ECU rocks over Gettysburg. Folgers Crystals baby. Quinn, who's next in the recycling bin? Have a good Turkey Day.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon

ΣΑΕ

Once again we would like to thank Dan for a wonderful banquet. By the way, Carlos, how was it speaking in front of 350 people? We would all like to thank President Merwin for attending the function; hope you had a good time. If anyone is interested in a trip package for Spring Break, get in contact with Paquin or Smokey. Enjoy Thanksgiving Break. See ya.

Sigma Phi Epsilon

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Three cheers to Brother Big John and his starring role in Three Sisters! More

congrats go out to new President Ryan Johnson and the new EC Board. Sorry we've been quiet, but now we're back. Sigmas Arnie, Mike and Joe, keep up the good work ethic, it's almost over. Thank you to Zeta for the bomb, break-out social last weekend. Great decorations. Another shout out to Banks and Dangly Bones for the usage of their home.

Tau Kappa Epsilon

TKE

Well, I hope that you are ready for another outstanding issue of the TKE section of the Greek Forum. Hooray! The old room will soon be back. Finster is the generator of some great holiday ideas. Phish was a rather excellent experience this past weekend. I'm building you a pyramid with limestone blocks so large. Yes Uno, RKTs are good. Paint ball seems like a good idea. Have an ultimate Thanksgiving.

lining turned out at the top, over the gold (like a collar). Gold cords would be worn under the honors hood.

Candidates for the bachelor's degree should come into the auditorium with the see GRADUATION, page 25

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on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the rows starting from the side aisle.

16. ALL MASTER'S DEGREE candidates (M.A., M.S., M.B.A. and M. Ed.) will enter the Civic Center at the Midway Room front entrance (closest to the park) and report to a faculty marshal in that corridor.

M.A., M.S. and M.B.A candidates will report to **DR. STEVE GEHNRIK**. You will line up according to his direction, alphabetically by degree, and will sit in Section 7 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the rows starting from the side aisle.

M.A.T. and M.Ed candidates will report to **DR. JACK WULFF** and line up alphabetically at his direction. You will also sit in Section 7 on the seating chart. After you have walked across the stage, you are to return to your seats via the center aisle and fill in the rows starting from the side aisle.

17. DRESS CODE

This is a formal academic occasion and should be viewed as such in dress and demeanor. The academic robe is black and the recommended dress, therefore, is:

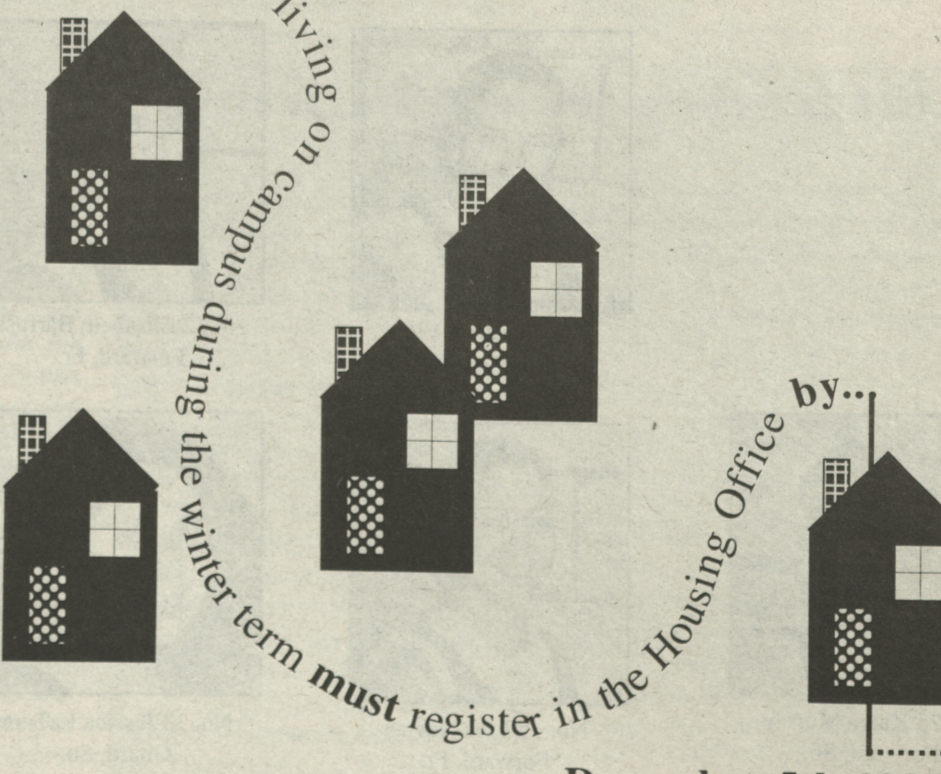
Dress clothing, preferably black or navy, black dress shoes (or some other dark color). The gown should be mid-calf. If a dress is worn, the gown should cover the length of the dress. No visible jewelry. Fraternity or sorority pins/ribbons may be worn; these are academic emblems and are not considered jewelry as such. Kente cloths are permissible as well. No flowers on the academic robe, and no flowers to be carried.

The mortarboard (academic hat) is to be worn with the front point over the forehead below the front hairline, and so the flat board is parallel to the floor. (It should not be worn on the back of the head with the board pointing upward.) **NO DECORATION OF ANY KIND IS TO BE PLACED ON THE MORTARBOARD.**

Honors students will have a gold and white hood. It is to be worn with the gold side out and the white inner

Winter Term Housing

all interested in living on campus during the winter term must register in the Housing Office by..



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America Reads Challenge

The Financial Aid Office seeks qualified student employees to provide educational and enrichment services to improve the reading skills of young children. The position requires enthusiastic and dedicated individuals who enjoy working with children. Students will be employed through the America Reads Challenge. Requirements: 1) You must demonstrate financial need, as determined by the federal government, from the results of FAFSA. 2) You must have a genuine interest in the welfare of young children. 3) You must be reliable and dependable. 4) You must be willing to follow the guidelines of the agency. 5) You must complete any required (paid) training. 6) You must have transportation to and from the assigned agency. 7) You must be enrolled in a degree program and be full time at SSU. If you are interested, please send a letter of interest to the Financial Aid Office.

Attention December Graduating Loan Borrowers

According to federal regulations, all graduating students borrowing under the Federal Stafford/SLS loan program and/or the William D. Ford Federal Direct loan program are required to attend an exit interview with financial aid personnel. It is **MANDATORY** that you attend on Dec. 2 or 3 in the Nanticoke Rooms of the University Center at 4:00 p.m. Sessions will last approximately 30 minutes. Even if you are on an internship, working, student teaching, sports teams, etc. you must

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tassel on the right, hanging near the eye. After the degrees are conferred, the tassel is shifted to the left side. The signal for shifting the tassel will be given by the President (and/or your faculty marshal).

Candidates for the master's degree will wear the robe but will carry the hood over the left arm until they reach the

make arrangements to attend. Please be aware that you are required, by law, to attend an exit interview! If you choose not to attend, your academic records will not be released.

ESOL Tutoring

The English Department is extremely pleased to announce that we are now able to offer ESOL tutoring to all of SSU's international students. The ESOL Tutoring Center is located in the Learning Center in Maggs Gym Annex 1, behind the old ROTC building. Tutoring is available Monday and Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Any international student needing help understanding the language of his or her course work or needing assistance with writing issues can send an e-mail to Shirley Frisbee, tutor and TESOL graduate student, at smf6286@students.ssu.edu to request an appointment. We hope that the ESOL Tutoring Center will be a successful new addition to the university and that faculty and staff will encourage their international students to utilize the center.

Habitat for Humanity

Habitat meets Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Nanticoke Room of the University Center for weekly meetings. Trips to the site are on Fridays from 1 - 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Meet outside of Severn Hall, and look for the big SSU van. If interested in organizing your group to work with Habitat, let us know when you want to come out. Any

stage, where it will be placed on the candidate who should face the audience and bend down a little. Faculty marshals will give you more specific information.

Graduates will receive graduation picture information from Chappell Studio, Inc. This information will arrive at your permanent address in the near future.

Candidates should not chew gum or

other questions call Byron at x84337 or Melissa at x64018.

NAACP College Chapter at SSU

There will be a Kwanzaa celebration December 6 at 2:00 p.m. in the Great Hall. There will be an extensive program that will include a guest speaker and food. For more information, contact Brian Bronson (president of NAACP) at x64450.

SSU Ice Hockey

SSU's Ice Hockey team sent six representatives to the Equestrian Center to compete in a shoot-out against Navy. Luke DeNault and Jamie Shuler were able to score on Navy's goalie, while Salisbury's goalie Scott Pellegrino saved all but one shot, which enabled SSU to defeat Navy. Also the ice hockey team competed in the Inaugural United States Naval Academy Leatherneck Invitational Tournament. SSU finished fourth, but goalie Sean Cullinan (junior) received MVP of the whole tournament and captain Doug Wheeler (senior) received second team all-tournament defense.

Take a Break Before Finals

Totally for You is a program sponsored by the Guerrieri University Center to give students some fun, relief, release and relaxation before finals week. This year TFY will begin with a kickoff program on Wednesday, December 10 from 7 - 10 p.m. in the Wicomico Room of the GUC. There will be demonstrations of exercise and stress release options such as boxing, Tai Chi,

tobacco.

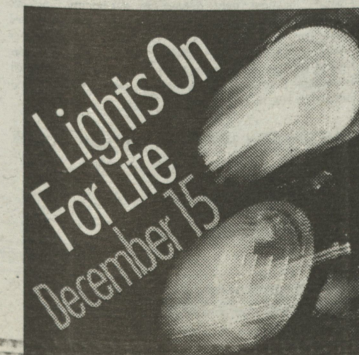
Graduation Decorum: Graduation ceremonies are, by their very nature, festive occasions. The festivity manifests itself in many ways including the dress of the students and faculty adorned in academic regalia and the warmth, joy and satisfaction of accomplishment. The ceremonies are also marked by seriousness where the actual conferring of degrees signifies long hard work on

power yoga, aerobics, step aerobics and toning. Vendors and merchants will offer massages, paraffin treatment, manicures and nail care, hair styling, skin care, as well as items for sale as Christmas gifts. Have a picture taken with Santa and Mrs. Claus as a Christmas keepsake. There will be hot dogs, popcorn and cotton candy food carts in the concourse, a roving clown, balloons galore, free cake, punch, door prizes and giveaways. The University Center will also be offering extended hours from December 15 -18, until 1 a.m. Herb's Place (GUC game room) will be offering special programming during these extended hours. The Wicomico Room, GUC lounges and other programming is free to all students, faculty and staff. Come take a break, have some fun and join the crowd. TFY is TOTALLY FOR YOU!

Thomanerchor

The world's oldest and foremost boys' choir, The Thomanerchor of Leipzig, Germany, under the direction of Maestro George Christopher Biller, will perform Saturday, February 7, 1998 at 4:00 p.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, at Fourth St. and Michigan Ave. NE, in Washington, D.C. The concert will feature works by Johann Sebastian Bach, Felix Mendelssohn, Siegfried Thiele and Volker Brautigam. For more information, contact Diane Sare at 202-544-8704.

the part of everyone involved: students, faculty, administrators, parents and spouses. As a consequence of the serious nature of the ceremony, students are expected to maintain a measure of decorum consonant with the occasion. Applause and other recognition of the conferring of degrees should be limited to a joint effort at the conclusion of each graduation group (e.g. B.S., B.A., etc.).

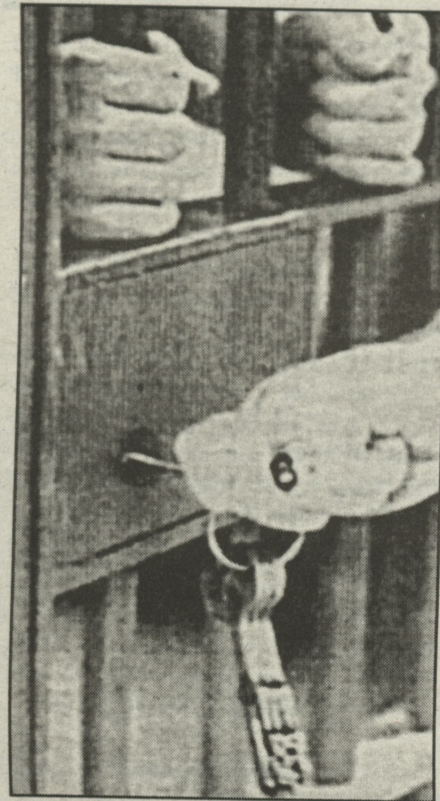


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Jim Phillips
Office of Public Safety

10/25 - 11/11 **Theft** - A four-track cassette tape deck was reported stolen from Holloway Hall Auditorium.

11/14 **Hit & Run** - A student reported that a car was damaged while parked in the Dogwood Lot.

11/14 **Alcohol Violation** - Two underage non-students (guests) were found drinking beer in the Crossroads

Pub. No-trespass letters will be sent to them.

11/14 **Alcohol Violation** - A non-student used the I.D. of another person to misrepresent his age in order to drink beer at the Crossroads. A no-trespass letter will be sent.

11/15 **Alcohol Violation** - An underage student was in possession of a wristband in the Crossroads. Administrative action is pending.

11/15 **Alcohol Violation** - An underage student was found to be in possession of beer in the Crossroads.

11/15 **Marijuana Violation** - An officer responded to a complaint of the odor of burning marijuana in a student's room in Dogwood Village. A small amount of suspected marijuana and paraphernalia were found in the room. There were three students in the room at the time. Administrative action is pending.

11/15 **Telephone Misuse** - A resident of Dogwood Village received an annoying and unwanted phone call.

11/15 - 11/16 **Telephone Misuse** - A resident of Dogwood Village received an unwanted and annoying phone call on an answering machine.

11/15 - 11/16 **Theft** - A resident of St. Martin Hall reported that a watch was stolen from a room in St. Martin Hall.

11/15 - 11/16 **Vandalism** - Two rocking chairs located in the gazebo near the University Center were damaged.

11/16 **Alcohol Violation** - Two underage students were in possession of open containers of beer near the Administrative Services Building. Administrative action is pending.

11/16 **Alcohol Violation** - An underage student was found to be in possession of beer in the Crossroads. Administrative action is pending.

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11/18 **Theft** - A student reported that a wallet and contents were stolen from a backpack in the hallway of Maggs Gym near the training room.

11/18 - 11/20 **Theft** - A resident of St. Martin Hall reported the rear wheel was stolen from a bike on the second floor of St. Martin Hall.

11/21 **Vandalism** - A resident of Chesapeake Hall reported that a cluster door was vandalized on the second floor.

11/21 **Possession of Marijuana** - A resident of Manokin Hall and a resident of Wicomico Hall were each found to be in possession of pipes containing residue of marijuana. This occurred between St. Martin and Chesapeake Hall. Administrative action is pending.

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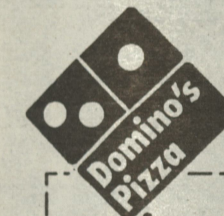
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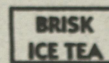
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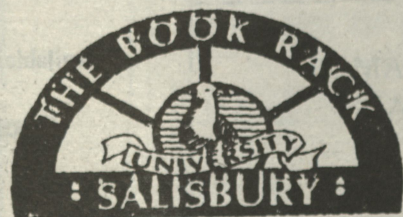


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